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NEW THREAT TO END GRAMMARS

Labour rule change could see parents given choice to abolish selective education

By **PHIL REILLY**

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EVERY grammar school in the county is under threat after the Government announced it would review a process giving parents the power to abolish them.

Martin Frey, from campaign group Stop the Eleven Plus (STEP), said he was "certain" there was an appetite among parents in Kent and Medway to hold votes that would kill off all 39 grammars if the Government simplified the process.

Abolish

As it stands, a ballot of parents can be held on whether to abolish all selective schools within a Local Education Authority area if a petition is signed by 20 per cent of parents in the area, and it is this process the Government is hoping to make easier.

There are two LEAs covering the county: Kent and Medway.

Announcing the review this week, schools minister Jim Knight said: "We are firmly committed to giving parents the right to vote to abolish selection at existing grammar schools."

Conservative leader David Cameron announced in May that the party would not build any new grammar schools, but when approached by Kent on Sunday every Tory MP in Kent said they were in favour of selective education.

Seven also defied the leadership to say they wanted to see more built.

Mr Cameron avoided the subject in his speech at the party conference in Blackpool last week, but did back Labour's city academy programme, insisting the Government "should make it easier for these new schools".

Mr Frey said there was "growing awareness" of how poorly schools situated near grammars are doing, and it was this that prompted Gordon Brown to review the process.

He said: "We are moving towards the abolition of grammar schools.

"The Government's plans are to get a good school for everybody, and that is what grammar schools do not deliver.

"I think the reasoning behind doing nothing about grammar schools for so long is that the disruption caused might derail some of the Government's other plans. They obviously feel there is an appetite for it now.

"There has only been one significant

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The filth that cost patients their lives and could see health trust lose millions

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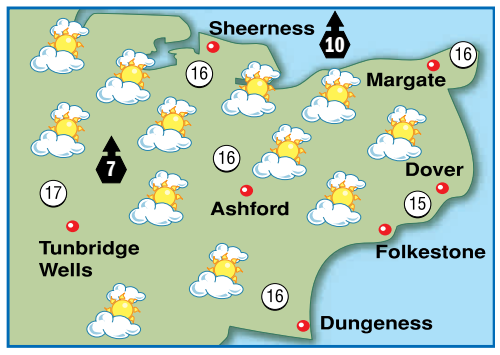

TODAY: A generally fine autumn day, as early low cloud and mist will lift to bring sunshine at times. Gentle southerly winds. Max temp 15-18C (59-64F).
TONIGHT: Dry with clear spells. Patchy low cloud and mist later on. There will be gentle southwesterly winds. Min temp 8-11C (46-52F).

Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	cloudy	16	61	London	cloudy	17	63
Belfast	fair	17	63	Liverpool	fair	17	63
Birmingham	cloudy	15	59	Manchester	cloudy	17	63
B'mouth	cloudy	17	63	Newcastle	cloudy	17	63
Bristol	cloudy	16	61	Norwich	fair	17	63
Cardiff	cloudy	17	63	Oxford	fair	17	63
Cork	cloudy	15	59	Southsea	fair	16	61
Edinburgh	cloudy	16	61	S'hampton	cloudy	17	63
Glasgow	rain	15	59	Southport	sun	–	–
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Leeds	cloudy	16	61	Torquay	cloudy	17	63

Sun & moon

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Moonrise	11.11am	Moonset	6.43pm	6.05pm to 7.19am

High Tides

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Margate	02.16	4.4	14.29	4.4	02.39	4.4	14.57	4.4
St Mary's	07.00	5.4	19.13	5.3	07.28	5.3	19.42	5.1

Week ahead

monday Cloudy. Dry. max 17C min 12C

tuesday Rain clearing. max 16C min 7C

wednesday Sunny spells. max 13C min 6C

thursday Sunny spells. max 14C min 8C

friday Some sunshine. max 15C min 9C

saturday Dry. Bright. max 15C min 9C

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SPECIAL REPORT Victims and relatives of those affected

Trust facing huge legal payout over superbug tragedy

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FAMILIES of the 90 patients who died after contracting the hospital superbug Clostridium difficile have a good chance of successfully suing the NHS trust, Kent on Sunday can reveal.

A highly critical report from the Healthcare Commission found "significant failings" in Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust's management of the outbreaks in which more than 1,100 patients became infected with the killer bug.

The catalogue of failure which led to the outbreaks included patients left to soil their own beds; systematic failure by management to face up to the problems and tackle the issue; and a general poor state of hygiene and cleanliness at the hospitals.

The watchdog has now passed on its findings to be reviewed by Kent Police and the Health and Safety Executive, and it is possible criminal prosecutions could be brought against the Trust after officers have looked through the report.

The Trust could be forced to fork out millions of pounds in damages and civil claims.

A leading clinical negligence lawyer said for criminal charges to be brought the case would have to be proven "beyond reasonable doubt".

HORRENDOUS CONDITIONS: Beds separated by a narrow space and curtain in a ward at the Kent and Sussex Hospital

COMMISSION'S FINDINGS: Patients were told to 'go in the bed' and left for hours with wet or soiled sheets

Steven Webber, a partner at Hugh James Solicitors, said the trust could face criminal charges of gross negligence or corporate manslaughter.

He said it would be easier to sue the trust in a civil court because it would be based on the "balance of probabilities".

Families of victims or survivors of the bug would have to show the Trust was negligent because it breached its duty of care and did not have appropriate hygiene processes in place.

Mr Webber said the fact the investigation had already been carried out by the commission and was "so damning" would make proceedings easier.

He said: "Any evidence helps claimants pursue actions. Someone has investigated and taken statements, which would almost certainly help someone bring an action."

Successful actions could range from a £10,000 bereavement award to millions if the deceased was a high earner with children, he said.

Asked whether he thought it was ethical to sue the NHS, he said: "I think a lot of people will be very hurt by this, seriously angry, and may want to make a statement to say you cannot keep doing this. Systems have to change and civil action is a way to do that."

Mr Webber won a groundbreaking MRSA case, setting a precedent for superbug writs against hospitals.

John Sheath, managing partner and head of healthcare at Maidstone-based solicitors Brachers, which represents the Trust, said: "I think it is a great concern to the Trust and all the management, but it is a matter of waiting to see what the police and Health and Safety Executive might decide to do."

COMMISSION'S FINDINGS: Patients and relatives described their care as 'despicable', 'sickening', 'appalling' and 'chaotic'

Mr Sheath said each case would be judged on its own facts but added that the report would be of assistance to some civil claims.

The commission's report shows a catalogue of errors between April, 2004, and September, 2006, with patients infected across the Trust's three hospitals – Pembury, Maidstone and the Kent and Sussex.

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by C diff could successfully sue NHS for gross negligence, reveals top lawyer

'I just wish they had listened'

AFTER his mother-in-law died from C diff at Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tony Charlton launched a tireless campaign for cleaner hospitals.

Florrie Field, 86, worked almost full time in her daughter's fashion shop and was fit and active before she went into Maidstone Hospital for a routine eye check-up in March last year.

She contracted the highly-infectious diarrhoea bug after taking a course of antibiotics, her condition worsened and she was rushed to the Kent and Sussex in May – she died just over two weeks later.

Mr Charlton welcomed the report. He said: "It is the same things we have been saying for the last 15 months – it is all down to the management.

"I just wish they had listened at the time."

The 63-year-old was not shocked by the report's findings because he had witnessed firsthand some of the most appalling examples of patient neglect and hygiene lapses.

FIT AND ACTIVE: Florrie Field, pictured on holiday in Australia, visited Maidstone hospital for a routine eye check-up. She contracted C diff and died two weeks later

He wrote to chief executive Rose Gibb and met with the Trust's nursing director last summer, telling how Mrs Field was left in soiled bedclothes for three hours and regaling a long list of other instances of mistreatment. But he was ignored.

"They went into damage limitation mode and when they were talking to me it was just platitudes and anything to stop us campaigning," he said.

"There is one sentence in the report 'the infection control team was not managed properly' – that gives the whole thing away."

Asked what he thought about suing the trust, he said: "It would be a pity. The NHS has the potential to be the best in the world and that's what we should be working towards.

"It is money that could be going towards improving things."

Kent on Sunday's sister paper, Yourmaidstone, is backing a campaign launched by Jackie Nixon whose father Joseph, 87, a World War Two veteran, died from the superbug after a routine operation at Maidstone Hospital.

The Humane Campaign calls for urgent changes to stop vulnerable people contracting killer bugs like C diff and MRSA.

• ***To watch the Trust's response to the campaign, go to www.yourkenttv.co.uk.***

COMMISSION'S FINDINGS: A senior manager said 'if anyone says that the top priorities aren't money and targets, they're lying'

Anna Walker, the watchdog's chief executive, said: "What happened to the patients at this trust was a tragedy. This report fully exposes the reasons for that tragedy, so that the same mistakes are never made again."

The report notes that since the inspections, improvements have been made and rates of C diff had more than halved at the Trust between January and March this year, compared to the same period for 2006.

Dr Malcolm Stewart, the Trust's medical director, said reports of nurses telling patients with diarrhoea to "go in their beds" rather than help them to the bathroom, were indefensible.

"It is difficult to comprehend what would go through a healthcare professional's mind for them to offer that kind of advice. Nurse shortages do not excuse it and we will not tolerate it," he said.

He said the Trust had begun to implement the commission's recommendations.

"C diff rates have fallen sharply following improved isolation measures, a £1 million cleaning programme, better antibiotic use, and further campaigns on hand washing," added Dr Stewart.

Glenn Douglas, the Trust's acting chief executive, said: "I have only been here a few days but I am impressed by the improvement of infection control. I am not complacent and I will lead the drive to continue to improve care for patients."

Cllr Paul Carter, leader of Kent County Council, has asked Mr Douglas to the authority's public cabinet meeting on Monday at 10am in County Hall.

WHAT IS C DIFF?

- Clostridium difficile is a bacteria from the same family as those that cause tetanus, botulism and gas gangrene.
- Its usual habitat is the large intestine, where it thrives as there is little oxygen. It can be found in low numbers in the healthy adult population as it is kept in check by so-called 'friendly' bacteria.
- It produces spores that can survive for a long time in the environment.
- It can cause mild to severe diarrhoea, ulceration and bleeding of the colon and, at worst, can lead to peritonitis and death.
- The people most affected by C diff are elderly patients already being treated for serious illnesses. Most infections occur in hospitals and nursing homes.

Health secretary's shock at 'catalogue of failure'

THE SECRETARY of State for Health said the report was "scandalous" but would not accept that Government targets had played any part in the outbreaks.

Speaking on BBC Radio 4's Today programme Alan Johnson said the investigation showed a "catalogue of failures".

He said: "I would like to apologise to the families and the communities affected.

"It is such a shocking report and it will ensure people are alert to what can happen if the advice and guidance is ignored."

Mr Johnson refused accept that the Trust's obsession with meeting financial and clinical targets, as stated in the Healthcare Commission's findings, had contributed to the outbreaks.

The report states: "The need to keep finances in check was seen to override the pressures on frontline staff and the effect on patients."

Mr Johnson said it was "absolutely wrong" to suggest the situation was inevitable because of a target culture in the NHS enforced by central Government.

"There was a failure to follow standard guidance followed daily to deal with healthcare acquired infections," he said.

Former hospital chief has severance blocked

THE HEALTH Secretary has told the NHS Trust investigated for fatally failing to control two superbug outbreaks that its former chief executive must not receive a "massive payout".

Alan Johnson was responding to reports that Rose Gibb, who resigned a week ago after four years as head of the Trust, could receive a severance package of up to £400,000.

In a highly unusual step, he said: "I have instructed the Trust to withhold any severance payment to the former chief executive of Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust, pending legal advice."

Ms Gibb left her £150,000 a year job last Friday by mutual agreement with the board.

PAYOUT: Rose Gibb

Tony Charlton, whose mother-in-law was one of 90 patients who died from C diff at Maidstone Hospital, was horrified and said it would be "scandalous" if she received a large payout.

The campaign group Health Emergency demanded to know how much she was paid after stepping down amidst reports from Trust sources she could get £400,000.

Geoff Martin, the group's head of campaigns, said: "I've heard from staff that Rose Gibb is rumoured to have received a massive payout."

He said the public had a right to know how much taxpayers' money was dished out.

A Trust spokesman said any contractual arrangements were a private matter between Ms Gibb and the Trust.

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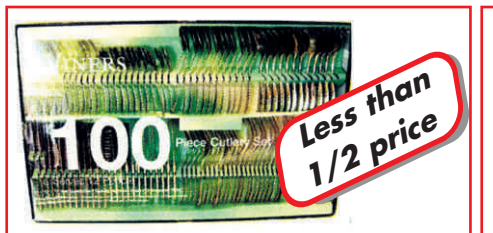

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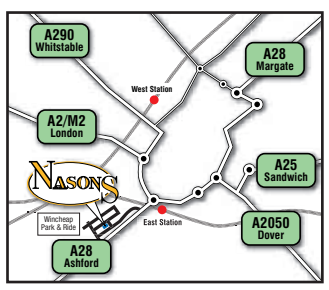

TV actor Clunes asked to sack wife behaving badly

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A WILDLIFE conservation group is calling for television star Martin Clunes to sack his own wife – after an episode of popular ITV show Doc Martin said badgers could infect humans with the deadly disease TB.

Experts at the Wildwood Trust called for the resignation of the former Men Behaving Badly star's wife Philipa Braithwaite, who produces the hit comedy drama, after Monday's episode featured a mother and her child burning a badger, which they thought had contracted bovine TB, on a bonfire.

The charity, which runs a 40-acre animal park between Canterbury and Herne Bay, claimed the distressing scene wrongly assumed all badgers carried the deadly virus.

Trust chief executive Peter Smith said less than one per cent of cases of human TB can be traced to cattle – which can catch TB from badgers.

They claim the programme propogated the myth that badgers are the cause of bovine TB, as well as scare mongering that bovine TB is easily transmitted to humans.

He said: "It is entirely irresponsible to allow these types of storylines to go uncontested – it doesn't matter if it is the wife of a famous TV actor who produces the show, we still want her to resign.

"The message they were promoting – that badgers are the main cause of deadly bovine TB – is simply wrong."

The episode featured an elderly woman who was diagnosed with TB after she developed a cough.

She was forced to move out of her house and a young boy who moved in with his London family also developed the condition.

Mr Smith said the Trust had received 20 emails from worried parents whose children had visited the animal sanctuary within 24 hours of the show being aired.

The show, which attracts nearly eight million viewers, wrongly inferred a link between a badger, which was found dead on the property, and the family cat which also developed the condition.

Mr Smith said: "This message is simply wrong and it will scare future generations of children unnecessarily.

"We have school parties to our wildlife park all the time and it is grossly irresponsible of the producers to insinuate that badgers are the cause of TB."

The Trust, which runs a sanctuary protecting native animals including badgers, wolves, foxes, otters and beavers, is backed by a government report from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) which earlier this year suspended the culling of badgers.

Easy target

Scientists found there was no proof mass slaughtering led to a reduction of cows being infected by TB.

Mr Smith said: "The show goes against all the scientific evidence and in our minds it is clear the programme's researchers have followed the advice of farming lobby groups who often try and put the blame on badgers because they can cause problems on their farmland. They are just an easy target."

A spokesman for the show said: "All our story lines are thoroughly researched before filming begins and we have a GP to advise on medical issues to ensure authenticity and accuracy.

"With regard to this particular episode, the character of the doctor does actually stress that the chance of a human contracting tuberculosis from a cat or badger is very rare and that it was conjecture rather than a confirmed diagnosis."

DEAD SETT AGAINST: Actor Martin Clunes, in his role as TV's Doc Martin, is in hot water over an episode of the show that featured a badger with TB

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Badgers need a tunnel as burrow closes road

A ROAD has been closed after tunnelling badgers caused part of it to collapse – and now a proper purpose-built passageway is being constructed to protect both the animal and motorists.

The badgers burrowed beneath Butler's Hill in Dargate, but their crude methods caused part of the road surface above to crumble, forcing its closure.

The resulting pothole has been deemed dangerous for drivers, but now Kent County Council's highways department must wait for permission from English Nature to dig the badger tunnel.

The council said: "We need a licence to interfere because the badgers are a protected species, so the position at the moment is the road is still closed for safety reasons.

"There is a large hole in the middle, which would obviously cause a danger to traffic."

Natural England has to give the go-ahead for such works, and a spokesman there said: "If the road has collapsed we would look at it as a matter of urgency.

"We would discuss with the road engineers the best way forward and tunnelling often solves the problem."

Now it's a race against time to get the work done by the end of the month to beat the start of the badger-breeding season.

If it's not finished by then, the works will have to wait until January.

Badgers are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act, making it an offence to injure or take any badgers, treat them cruelly or dig the animals out of their setts.

NEWS ANCHOR: Kathy Lacy is hoping to change attitudes towards facial disfigurement

Kathy reads the news to challenge assumptions

A WOMAN with a facial disfigurement is set to anchor the BBC South East News as part of an Inside Out programme next week.

Kathy Lacy, from Farningham near Dartford, will be sitting in the hot seat for the afternoon bulletin on Wednesday.

Kathy was born with neurofibromatosis – a genetic condition that means the sheaths surrounding nerve endings erupt through the skin, causing lumps all over her body.

She's fronting the bulletin as part of a show about attitudes towards facial disfigurement.

Kathy said: "People do make assumptions about who you are from what you look like.

"You have to accept that people do make comments, it's the way some have been brought up, it's the way we are constantly bombarded with good looks; that you have to look good and you have to look better.

"So it is my job to educate them and this is an opportunity to do that. It used to be hurtful, but not anymore.

"I see these encounters as an opportunity to let people know that I am actually quite a nice person if you get to know me, so give yourself permission to do that."

'Socialism' in our schools

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change in Government recently – Gordon Brown. I think it is down to him."

Under the current system, the petition needed to force the vote requires parents to give their names, addresses, names of their children and the school they attend, and in Kent 50,000 parents would have to sign.

Mr Frey said parents were not willing to hand over details of where their children were during the day "to a stranger".

He continued: "If it is made easier for parents to be comfortable signing the petition I am sure they will. In Kent we have 25 per cent of our schools doing worse than the worst school in Hackney, and the awareness of this amongst parents is growing.

"I thought the Government would bottle it on this, to be honest, but they haven't. Grammar schools have more reason to feel nervous this week than they had last week."

Kent County Council leader Paul Carter, a strong advocate of grammar schools, said there was "a threat of egalitarian socialism being applied to our educational system".

He said: "We've got an extraordinarily good track record in Kent, with good schools across the board all delivering exceptionally good results. It would be disastrous if that was to be jeopardised.

"When the balloting legislation was brought in by the Labour Government several years ago there was no appetite whatsoever for a change in the county. Trying to make the system more relaxed is the last thing we need in Kent."

Since the balloting system was introduced in 1998 only one vote has been held. That was in Ripon in North Yorkshire, a much smaller Local Education Authority area where only 500 signatures were required to force the vote.

Parents voted against abolishing selection at the area's one grammar school.

Addicks lose sponsor as property firm is bankrupt

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A KENT firm has reassured customers after the Spanish property company that sponsors Charlton Athletic collapsed.

Llanera, a real estate firm that builds properties in Spain, many of which were sold to Brits looking to move to sunnier climes, has filed for bankruptcy after running up debts of around 700 million euros (£490 million).

The company was renowned for its aggressive, big budget marketing campaigns on the Continent, and hoped to entice British buyers to the country by signing a four-year sponsorship deal in December, 2005, with Charlton Athletic worth £6.6m. It also has a £2m deal with rugby union team London Irish.

Invested

One of the company's biggest UK agents is Maidstone-based Blue Sun World.

Blue Sun World managing director Bruce Bell said no-one who has invested in a Llanera property would lose their money.

He said: "There is no threat to the current properties. Caravaca Nature Golf, the company for which Llanera was building the properties, has written to all its clients reassuring them that they will be completed and that there is no impact whatsoever.

"No-one's deposits are in danger."

It is the second time in two years that Charlton has lost a shirt sponsor in the middle of its contract. Previous sponsor All:sports went into administration in 2005 midway through a £3m shirt deal.

A spokesman for Charlton Athletic said Llanera's bankruptcy would have "no immediate impact" on the club.

He said: "We've not had much luck with sponsors. This is somewhat ironic give that Llanera came in to rescue us when All:sports collapsed.

LOSING OUT: Charlton Athletic's shirts will have to be changed next season

"The club's stance has not changed considerably since Llanera's financial difficulties first emerged. We were hoping they would come through it, although it appears that is no longer going to happen.

"There is no affect on the club in the short term as they have already paid for their sponsorship this season, and it is too early to say what will happen in the close season."

A statement by chief executive Peter Varney is due to be released shortly, although it was not available at the time of going to press.

Llanera's financial problems have largely been blamed on a crash in the Spanish property market, as well as its rapid growth strategy in which it quickly snapped up land for development. It was in the process of developing around 5,500 properties in the country's Murcia and Caravaca regions, and it has been reported that these have now been put on hold.

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Cash calls over speed gun errors

Officers told not to issue further fixed penalty notices

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CALLS have been made for motorists to be compensated for wrongful convictions after traffic officers in South Kent were ordered to stop using laser speed guns because of inaccuracy.

An internal memo was sent out to officers following a court case at Folkestone magistrates' court where it was found that a speed gun used to catch a supposedly speeding motorist had not been calibrated properly.

The force is now carrying out a review of speed-gun use in the South Kent area, which covers Ashford, Folkestone, Dover, Deal and Lydd. While this is being carried out officers have been told not to issue any further Fixed Penalty Notices or summonses.

Paul Smith, founder of SafeSpeed.org.uk, has demanded that Kent Police immediately contact all those wrongfully convicted, refund them and remove points from their licences.

He said: "Anyone who has lost their job or otherwise suffered as a result of an erroneous conviction will be entitled to substantial compensation.

"Far too often speed enforcement is sloppy. It has become a ridiculous game of cat and mouse where the authorities try to trap motorists who in turn are attempting to avoid the traps."

Brian MacDowell, secretary of the Association of British Drivers, said he believed anyone wishing to challenge a conviction would "have a case".

He added: "The truth is the technology is accurate to a point, but it depends on the cameras being held rock steady. Even the wind hitting the side of one can affect the measurement."

Justice

Jeanette Miller, founder and president of the Association of Motoring Offence Lawyers, said motorists may be able to claim for compensation, but warned it would be difficult.

She said: "A court may re-open a case at any time under section 142 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 where it appears to the court 'in the interests of justice to do so'. The difficulty motorists may face is that I suspect the introduction of the Kent policy alone will not be considered to be sufficient grounds to apply this power.

"Without seeing the full details of the case that prompted the policy to be introduced, it is difficult to comment on how wide a problem Kent Police may have in the correct operation of the device and how long it has been allowed to go on. The question I suspect magistrates will ask is: Was the criticism in the case concerned of one officer's actions or of the entire constabulary?"

A spokesman for Kent Police said he did not wish to comment on the matter of compensation for motorists.

A statement issued by the force said: "Laser guns form only a tiny proportion of the speed detection devices used in Kent. We have a variety of ways of enforcing the speed limit, including the issuing of tickets by the Kent and Medway Camera Safety Partnership, which is responsible for fixed cameras and camera vans in places with a higher level of road casualties.

"We would stress that speeding enforcement has an important role in keeping our roads safe for all users and Kent Police continues to enforce the law on the county's roads 24 hours a day.

"Hand-held laser guns are used at local level in response to community concerns about speeding and road safety. Their use has been temporarily withdrawn in the South Kent policing area following a recent court case, to ensure that officers are aware of and follow the appropriate policy and manufacturers instructions for their use.

"Other forms of speed enforcement will continue to be used in the area."

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As gay ordination threatens to split church, clergy warned about public dangers

Safety plea for Williams to go incognito in public

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has been advised to stop wearing his dog collar in public in case he is attacked.

A new report by the Church of England's security advisor National Churchwatch claimed clergy are putting themselves at risk by making themselves easily identifiable in public.

Its author Nick Tolson, a former police officer and verger, said that Dr Rowan Williams should "lead by example" by abandoning his collar on shopping trips.

He said: "All clergy, including the archbishop, are putting themselves at risk when they make themselves identifiable in public.

"Lots of people have problems and blame God, and there are lots of people who will see a clergyman and think they are a soft touch and can get money out of them.

"There are drug addicts everywhere, and also community care means there are a lot of mentally ill people around.

"Very serious attacks have occurred when vicars are out on their own, for example when they are in the supermarket or out walking.

"It is important senior clergy such as Dr Williams take the lead on this. Some clergymen, especially young and newly qualified ones wear their collars at all times.

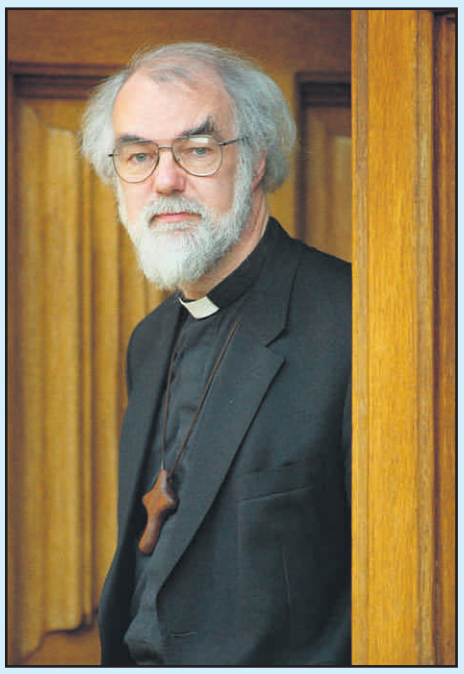
"They need to know there are times when they can take it off."

The report also advised vicars to travel with 'pastoral teams' of lay people when in public and visiting parishioners, as well as installing security systems in their homes.

Mr Tolson continued: "This was demonstrated when David Hope was Archbishop of York. He was single and lived on his own and had paintings on his wall worth millions.

"He had no security whatsoever, no alarms or anything. I know Dr Williams has a home in Canterbury and, again, this is somewhere where he can lead by example."

A survey of 1,000 vicars in the South East in 2001 showed that 12 per cent had been physically attacked in the previous two years, seven out of 10 had been verbally abused and one in five threatened with harm.



VULNERABLE?: Dr Rowan Williams

Mr Tolson added: "Almost all of the vicars we surveyed were in Kent, and the results are quite stark."

A spokesman for Lambeth Palace said Dr Williams did not wish to comment on the report.

However, a Church of England spokesman said; "A dog collar is a sign that someone has chosen to serve God in a special way.

"Many clergy would be reluctant to shed this very public sign of their ministry, and the Church's rules also expect the clergy to 'dress as clergy'.

"We know that some parish clergy can feel torn when it comes to balancing the desire to be visible and approachable within their community against the importance of protecting their safety and personal time.

"We certainly welcome any tested contributions to the pool of experience and guidance which dioceses already promote."

Bishop has gay boycott warning

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THE Bishop of Rochester has warned he may boycott next year's Lambeth Conference because of a row over the ordination of gay bishops.

The Right Reverend Michael Nazir-Ali said he would find it difficult to attend the conference, the Church's biggest annual gathering of senior clergy, alongside colleagues who condoned the ordination of homosexuals.

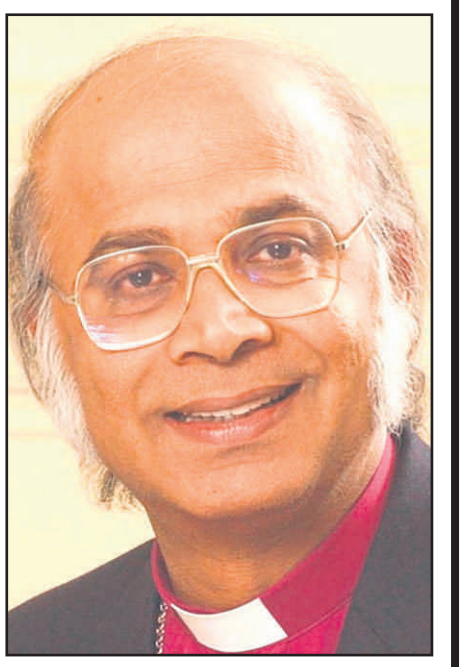
The remarks come at a time when the Archbishop of Canterbury has been trying to maintain unity in the Church, having narrowly avoided what would have been the biggest split in its modern history.

Talks

Dr Rowan Williams flew out to America last month for last-ditch talks to persuade the American Episcopal Church to abandon its decision to ordain gay bishops, as it had done in 2003 with the ordination of Gene Robinson in New Hampshire.

Several diocese split from the American church as a result of the ordination, which also prompted some conservative clergymen, particularly in Africa, to call for the American church to be cast out of its international body, the Anglican Communion.

Speaking to the Daily Telegraph, Bishop Nazir-Ali said: "My difficulty at the moment is not with a particular person, such as Gene Robinson, but with those who felt it right to approve and officiate at his ordination.



DEMAND FOR REPENTANCE: The Right Reverend Michael Nazir-Ali

"Unless they are willing to say that what they did was contrary to the Gospel, and we all of us from time to time need to repent about what we have done wrong, I would find it very difficult to be with them in a council of bishops."

Anglican group Reform, which is made up of churches and individuals, said the Archbishop of Canterbury had become "seriously weakened" by his attempts to appease the Americans and avoid a split in the Church. The group also warned the Church was facing "an eleventh hour crisis".

Bishop Nazir-Ali insisted any decision not to attend the Lambeth Conference would not be an act of disloyalty to Dr Williams.

He added: "It is nothing to do with loyalty to the Archbishop of Canterbury. In fact it may be an expression of loyalty to him to say that the Lambeth Conference has integrity."

Ray Duff, a gay activist from Folkestone, said Bishop Nazir-Ali should "take his own advice and repent his long-standing homophobia".

He said: "The conference would run much better if the bigots were to reform themselves and concentrate on the major world issues that need tackling instead of perpetuating hatred towards a specific minority.

"The Government has announced it is going to introduce an 'incitement' law to protect lesbians and gays.

"Whilst the bishop may not be inciting hatred as such, he and other religious bigots are perpetuating it and this gives succour to those who do incite and attack the gay community."

A spokesman for the Archbishop of Canterbury said he did not wish to comment.

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Winter wonderland is coming home in time for Christmas

By **PHIL REILLY**
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THE festive season may be more than two months away, but one man's attempt to turn a quiet corner of Kent into Lapland has already proved so popular he has 16,000 people waiting to visit next year.

This December, part of Bedgebury Forest in Goudhurst will be transformed into a winter wonderland.

Visiting families will be able to fly with The Snowman, sit in teepees to hear native Scandinavian storytellers, meet elves as they add the finishing touches to hand-carved rocking horses and visit Father Christmas in the study of his log cabin.

It is the brainchild of former City trader and father-of-four Mike Battle, from Bromley, who after visiting Lapland six years ago decided to try and bring its magic back to Kent.

SEASON'S GREETINGS: Mike Battle is bringing the magic of Lapland at Christmas to Bedgebury Forest. He has already sold thousands of tickets

Popular

It has proved so popular that all 7,000 family tickets, costing between £90 and £150, have sold out by word-of-mouth alone, and there is already a waiting list of thousands for next year.

Mr Battle said his aim was to bring "a high-quality Christmas experience" to the UK while maintaining the highest environmental standards.

He said: "Lapland is a wonderful place, but it is a long way to go for a single day. Especially when you consider your carbon footprint and the toll it can take on small children to be travelling like that.

"My wife and I searched for an authentic Christmas experience in the UK every year, but nothing even comes close. We went to shopping malls and garden centres, but you can travel and queue for hours and get two minutes with Father Christmas.

"What we are doing in Bedgebury is absolutely unique. I wanted to make a high-quality experience, not just another grotto."

On arrival, families are taken inside an enormous dome in the forest. The scene from Raymond Briggs' The Snowman where the characters fly to Lapland is then projected on to the inside walls to give visitors the feeling they are being transported there themselves.

They then leave the dome through a tunnel and emerge in a woodland clearing, greeted by elves, reindeer and the sort of artificial snow so real it is used in the Harry Potter films.

After three hours in what Mr Battle describes as "a winter wonderland", families are called one by one to travel further into the forest, where they come across Father Christmas in his log cabin home.

Mr Battle, who has worked closely with the Forestry Commission on the project, continued: "When you go to see Father Christmas in a shopping mall or a garden centre it feels like he has to look like a superhero almost, he has to look remarkable in order to stand out. I wanted it to feel that bit more authentic.

"He may even look a little bedraggled, and as you enter his study he is writing in a big leather-bound book making his lists of who has been good and who has been bad."

Lapland UK has already proved such a hit that Mr Battle is hoping to stage three versions in different forests around the UK next year.

• ***For more information and to join the waiting list for Christmas 2008, visit www.laplanduk.co.uk.***

Ferreting out the thieves

THIEVES broke into a college to steal two very unusual items – ferrets.

The thieves appear to have targeted the animals specially, say police, as it appears they took nothing else.

The criminals also knew exactly where the animals were kept at Hadlow College in Spring Lane, Canterbury, suggesting they either knew their way round, or had inside help.

The thieves clambered onto a dustbin and then climbed into the compound.

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'It's a postcode patient lottery'

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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CAMPAIGNERS fighting to save a homeopathic hospital in West Kent have hit out at health bosses after it was revealed patients in the east of the county would continue to receive the service.

West Kent Primary Care Trust (PCT) decided to axe funding for the complementary treatment after a lengthy public consultation and despite thousands of objections.

Lesley Herriot, chairman of the Campaign to Save the Homeopathic Hospital (CaSHH) in Tunbridge Wells, said: "It looks like a case of postcode lottery to us.

"It seems that our patients and friends could continue to receive homeopathic treatment on the NHS if they were to move to East Kent where homeopathy is funded and will continue to be funded.

"Kent is one county so why discriminate against us because we live on the wrong side of it?"

She said patients who could not take conventional medicines, many of whom cannot afford to be treated privately, were hugely concerned about what they will do next March when their current treatment ends.

A spokesman for Eastern and Coastal Kent PCT said the trust had a contract with UCL Hospital in London and that GPs and consultants could refer their patients for homeopathic treatments.

CaSHH members swore to keep fighting after West Kent PCT's board decided to stop spending £196,000 out of its £747 million budget on homeopathy.

The campaigners are being backed by four Conservative MPs – Greg Clark MP for Tunbridge Wells, Charles Hendry MP for Wealden, Sir John Stanley MP for Tonbridge and Malling and Gregory Barker MP for Bexhill and Battle.

The MPs wrote to the PCT board asking for a decision to be delayed until the Government carried out a national review of homeopathy.

Mr Barker said: "I believe in choice. We understand there is more to healthcare and general wellbeing than just the narrow prescription of pharmaceutical drugs."

He said the decision to stop funding should not have been taken without wider investigation into clinical results.

Sally Penrose, the chief executive of the British Homeopathic Association, said the evidence had been interpreted narrowly and in a biased way.

"We felt that public support and patients' views of the benefits of the treatments were ignored. The independent research found there was no clear evidence to support or oppose the commissioning of homeopathy.

"The PCT decided on that negative interpretation and that's not good enough."

The association feared it would push people who could afford it into the unregulated private sector.

Dr Helmut Roniger, a consultant physician at the hospital, said: "Around 90 per cent of our patients have been through the [conventional] system and have not been helped.

"The vast majority are on income support and do not have the money to go for private treatment. The non-medical or unregulated sector of homeopathy is a mixed bunch of people. While some have studied for years others have only been on weekend courses."

A spokeswoman for West Kent PCT said the homeopathy review looked at 39 reports of major studies but found no clear-cut evidence that treatment improved people's symptoms. She said if the situation changed and evidence emerges the PCT would re-assess its decision.

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11 years later, that once fit and healthy young lady was referred to my practice by her new doctor. She had been suffering constant headaches, migraines, weakness in her arm and numbness in one hand.

After a thorough assessment and spinal x-rays it was discovered she had severe damage in her neck, so much so that it was too late…nothing could be done. Unfortunately she put off a spinal check for too long. And even more regrettable was the fact she had not been referred for proper spinal care years ago immediately after her accident.

This lady's tragic situation is not unique to her, and so, this has prompted me to explain something extremely important with you. Have you ever been involved in a car accident? Even if you were a passenger…don't be misled by the minimal damage to the car. Your body reacts much differently than glass, plastic and metal. Chances are you have incurred misalignment of the spine.

The problem in diagnosing such spinal problems is that you can't often feel them, and so progressively, the problem manifests itself causing spinal decay, arthritis, degeneration – damage.

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The only way to find out whether previous trauma, car accident or sports injury has created a problem is to have a spinal check up. If you have been putting this off, it is now time to do something about it.

"The problem in diagnosing such spinal problems is that you can't often feel them"

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Romney farmer says there's 'little hope' for livestock with the bluetongue crisis

Nowhere to graze

By **PHIL REILLY**
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THE owner of one of Kent's biggest sheep farms has given a dire warning about the future of the British livestock industry, and called for the bluetongue control zone to be expanded to cover the whole country.

With restrictions imposed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) it is only possible to move sheep from Kent as far as Essex, Sussex, Surrey and Hampshire, meaning that thousands of animals are fast running out of space to graze.

The measures have been introduced in a bid to contain the spread of the insect-borne virus, which affects sheep and, to a lesser extent, cattle.

The number of confirmed bluetongue cases is now 34 and rising.

Severe

Frank Languish, who has around 9,500 sheep grazing on Romney Marsh, said there was "very little hope" for British farmers.

He said: "To be honest, we are well and truly buggered. The situation is a lot more severe than many people realise, this is just the start of the crisis.

"When the arbitrary control zones are put in place, it takes a minimum of two years for them to be lifted, but more realistically three.

"This year there are a very small number of actual bluetongue cases, but when it comes back after the winter it will kill many, many more animals – that is the nature of the disease. The numbers of infections multiply very rapidly, that is the experience in Europe.

"This is unavoidable unless we have a vaccine, but the only company in Europe currently making it is in Holland, and the best they can reasonably say they can produce is enough for the sheep in Holland.

"The other problem is confidence. Everybody is trying to get out and the market has collapsed, especially as the animals can't be exported because of the foot and mouth restrictions.

"There simply isn't a big enough market for lamb in the UK. If everybody goes out and fills their freezers with British lamb it would help a great deal."

Farmers say that around 200,000 Romney sheep are trapped by the control zone.

Mr Languish's sheep usually graze in Wiltshire, Dorset and Somerset for the winter, and he said that unless the control zone is expanded his sheep may soon run out of grass.

He continued: "The problem is that there are around two million sheep inside the exclusion zone and around 30 million outside of it. If it covered the whole country we would be able to graze our sheep and they would not have to be culled – which is a very real risk.

"The Government has left the decision up to the farmers, but it is not in the interests of those on the other side of the line. This year the restrictions will kill more animals than the disease."

Environment secretary Hilary Benn this week announced a £12.5 million aid package for farmers, which included £1m to pay compensation to those who have had all their livestock culled and £2m to promote British meat.

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TRAPPED: Sheep can't be moved because of the control zone and they are short of grass

TUNING IN: Jeremy Kyle is set to have a Saturday morning slot on Invicta FM

Jeremy Kyle goes on air

CONTROVERSIAL television host Jeremy Kyle is taking up a radio presenting job which will be broadcast on Invicta FM.

Fresh from biting criticism by a judge who described his TV show as a "form of bear-baiting", he will appear in Kent on a syndicated Saturday morning show.

On the presenter's daytime TV show warring family members are invited to fight out their relationship problems on national television.

District Judge Alan Berg said the ITV1 daytime programme was "trash" and existed to "titillate bored members of the public with nothing better to do".

The judge made the comments while sentencing one of the show's guests, who head-butted his love rival during filming earlier this year, for assault.

On top of his courtroom troubles, the sponsor of the television programme, the government backed Ufi, which runs the Learndirect adult learning service, withdrew its half million pounds backing, because of the case.

The Central Office of Information said: "The criticism of the show sparked by Judge Alan Berg's remarks means both Ufi and the COI consider it no longer appropriate for Learndirect to be associated with the programme."

Kyle also strenuously denied claims staff plied an alcoholic with beer before he went on air.

But Invicta bosses feel his unique style will bring in listeners keen to hear what he has to say.

The presenter said: "I'm really excited to be joining Invicta on Saturday mornings. I'm looking forward to quizzing our guests and asking them questions our listeners have always wanted to know the answers to!"

And Craig Boddy, programme controller at Invicta FM added: "As a former Sony Award winner, we are delighted that Jeremy has decided to come back to radio.

"His is a captivating personality and I am sure this will rub off on the show, giving our listeners an entertaining and vibrant Saturday morning experience."

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Airports deal parks firm in the top spot

A KENT holiday firm is celebrating a multi-million pound acquisition, ***writes Phil Reilly***.

Holiday Extras, based in Newingreen near Folkestone, has bought BCP, the airport parking arm of Dutch firm Q-Park, more than doubling the number of spaces it owns at the country's major airports.

As well as providing parking for its customers, the company arranges airport hotel stays and travel insurance, as well as London theatre and theme park breaks.

Chief executive Stephen Lawrence would not be drawn on how much the deal is worth, but said it would increase the firm's annual turnover from £130 million to £170m and create 40 jobs.

He said: "The acquisition of BCP is a truly significant moment for Holiday Extras, and is probably one of the biggest milestones in our 25-year history. This gives us almost 29,000 spaces and means we now own car parks at every major airport in the country, except Stansted.

"We had around 14,000 spaces before, so this is a big deal for us and one that gives us greater control over the choice we offer our customers. It also means we can apply the high quality standards we require for car parks in areas like security, barriers and frequency of bus services."

Holiday Extras already owned car parks at the East Midlands, Luton, Manchester, Cardiff, Gatwick and Birmingham airports, but can now add Heathrow, Newcastle and Glasgow to that list.

Mr Lawrence added that the acquisition showed the company was going "from strength to strength", and said it was likely to bring more jobs to the county.

He added: "We moved to our new purpose-built offices around four years ago. Two-and-a-half years ago we had a management buy-out, and since then we have continued to grow.

"If we are to keep the talented people we employ we need to keep the business growing. This deal will allow us to do that.

"BCP is a strong brand in airport parking producing more than one million bookings annually and we are keen to capitalise on its strengths."

Holiday Extras has won a host of trade and consumer awards, including accolades for its website and holiday add-ons. It has also been named in the top 50 of The Times Best Companies Guide for the last three years.

• ***See p68-69 for more business news.***

FUNNY: Oliver Postgate and Bagpuss

The puppet masters bag award

THE creators of TV favourites like Bagpus and Ivor the Engine have won a major award marking their decades in the entertainment industry, ***writes Chris Murphy***.

Oliver Postgate, 80, and Peter Firmin, 79, received the award from Nick Park, the man behind the multi-Oscar winning Wallace and Gromit, at a lavish ceremony at London's Savoy Hotel

The Action for Children's Arts JM Barrie Award is given annually to a children's arts practitioner or organisation whose work has stood the test of time.

Their work dates back to the 50s and still delights young children as well as their parents who remember it all first time round.

Postgate and Firmin are the founders of Smallfilms, and the brains behind classic animation children's television series including Bagpus, Ivor, The Clangers, Noggin the Nog, and Pogles Wood.

Oliver writes and narrates and Peter designs, builds and animates at a farmhouse near Canterbury.

Mr Postgate said their work is "the most beautiful, the most brilliant, funny old Smallfilms in the whole wide world, or so we like to think".

To win the award, recipients will have made a substantial contribution to children's arts over a fair number of years.

Watching the Kent pair take the award were stars including Johnny Ball, Lynne Reid Banks, Christopher Biggins, Bernard Cribbins, Peter Duncan, Michael Foreman, Tony Hatch, Judith Kerr, Jan Francis and David Wood.

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Prison will be expanded

Villagers fail to block plans to tackle cell overcrowding

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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CONTROVERSIAL plans to expand a prison have been given the go-ahead despite an emotional plea from protesters who fear for the safety of hundreds of schoolchildren near the site.

Blantyre House in Goudhurst is a resettlement prison that currently has room for 122 category C and D inmates.

The prisoners are allowed out during the day to work in the local area. Other privileges include access to vehicles so they can drive to and from their jobs.

The Ministry of Justice's application to add a 44-cell two-storey extension, which also includes a single-storey kitchen extension and a car park, was approved by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council on Monday.

Immovable monster

Karen Jones, who lives in Hill Tops, a private road next to the prison, said: "We fear for our and our children's safety, and the safety of other road users simply because of the area the prison is sited in – it has reached saturation point for the environment and infrastructure around it.

"The Ministry of Justice is an immovable monster, it was completely willing to sacrifice the community to get what it wants," she said.

The expansion is part of a Government programme to provide 8,000 new prison places by 2012 to combat over-crowding.

Mrs Jones is spokeswoman for a group of protesters who set up a residents' association to object to the proposals.

They say the roads around the prison already cannot support existing levels of traffic and are concerned about the safety of more than 500 pupils at Bethany School and Colliers Green Primary School.

The top floor windows of the new cell-block will be overlooking Hill Tops and are causing major concerns for residents who feel threatened by the prospect of having prisoners able to look directly in their homes, she said.

"We don't know who these people are, some have very violent records and they now operate in very close proximity to private residents.

"I recognise they are being prepared for release but there have been a number of incidents of poor risk assessment of some inmates.

"One inmate burgled homes in Maidstone when he was supposed to be working and another was found with a significant amount of a class A drug on him while working in the community," Mrs Jones said.

A spokeswoman for the Ministry of Justice confirmed that in the past 18 months the two prisoners, who were on temporary licence, had committed the crimes.

Fears over road safety surrounding the prison grew after it recently emerged that a prison vehicle driven illegally by one of the inmates had been involved in a serious collision, leaving a woman brain damaged.

Margaret Rowlinson a nursery supervisor was left in intensive care after her car crashed with a van being driven by a prisoner who was on day release, on Rooks Hill near Cranbrook.

Although the exact circumstances of the collision remain unclear, HM Prison Service has admitted civil liability but the Crown Prosecution Service said there was not enough evidence to bring the case to court.

The prisoner, who was driving without a valid licence and in an unroadworthy vehicle, lost part of his ear in the crash and Mrs Rowlinson, 56, who lives near Tenterden, now needs help eating and requires physiotherapy three times a week.

A Prison Service spokesperson said: "The Prison Service's Kent and Sussex Area has reviewed the driving policy across all prisons where prisoners drive.

"New measures have been implemented to ensure the right driving licences have been issued and those prisoners who need it are assessed by an instructor to ensure competence."

Residents were pleased that councillors at Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's eastern area planning committee had imposed conditions on the plans, including limiting the number of extra inmates to 44.

Mrs Jones added: "We will have to wait and see. Through this application people have shown great community spirit, the question is whether people will feel safe enough to stay in the long term."

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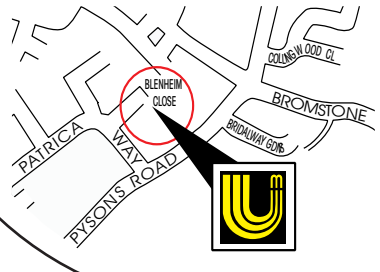

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The Harbour Board, which has been acknowledged as a model of best practice, comprises both elected councillors and co-opted independent members. The term of service of two of the co-opted members will finish in January 2008 and applications are invited for replacement members for a term of three years.

Applicants must have an interest in public service and be committed to developing the harbour as a financially self-supporting operation while balancing potentially conflicting demands. Proven skills in marine operations, property development or finance will be particularly welcome. There are nine board meetings a year together with occasional working groups as required. Board members receive a modest allowance and appropriate expenses will be reimbursed.

The closing date is **26 October 2007**.

We expect to hold interviews in the week commencing **12 November 2007**.

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Future is a tug back to the past

As freight transport undergoes a green renaissance HUW POWELL gets onboard the Sea Challenger 2 and takes a river journey towards the 2012 Olympics

EARLY START: The Bennett and Sons' tug Steven B starts to appear out of the fog as it approaches pier six on the Isle of Grain to collect a barge filled with aggregate

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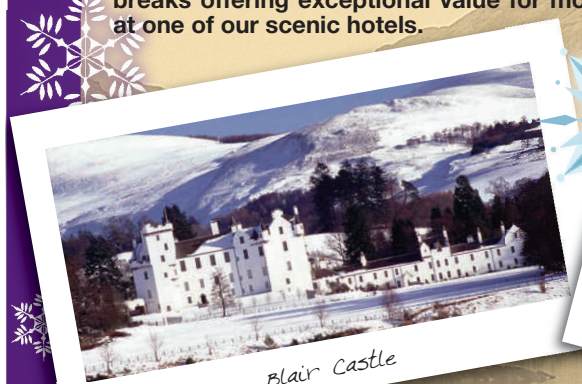
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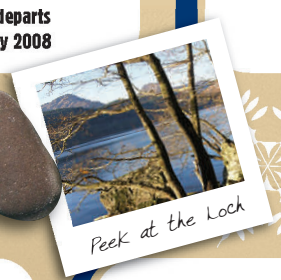
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THE first sight of AC Bennett and Sons' tug Steven B was a shadow in the early morning Medway fog.

It moved through the calm water, gradually taking shape to became a purposeful 23 metre, 1000 horse-power work vessel. As it swung to face the incoming tide, sister tug Sea Challenger 2 dropped mooring lines and drew away from the barge that it was holding tightly against pier six on the Isle of Grain.

The tugs exchanged places with hardly a ripple, as the barge continued to be filled from a rattling conveyer belt poised overhead. The barge's load of 900 tons of sieved and graded granite aggregate was due for delivery that day.

Sea Challenger 2 was off to collect another empty barge from Ridham Dock in the Swale, and bring it back to pier six. For the tug's captain John Butcher, 62, mate Stuart Strutton, 25, and Bennett's company director Wayne Bennett, 46, it was the start of a typical working day on the water which the family firm has worked for over 20 years.

As Sea Challenger 2 moved swiftly past Stangate Creek and towards the Medway entrance, skipper John Butcher commented that it was "a lovely day for boating when the sun burns the fog away".

Bennett's tale started in 1983 with Alan Bennett and his two sons Steven and Wayne.

Their first tug, Irande was more than 50 years old. Sea Challenger 1 was purchased in the early 1990s, and using her combined with a new style 4,000-tonne pushing barge, they managed to move half-a-million tons of coal from West Thurrock power station to Tilbury in just six months. They supplied aggregate for the construction of the Jubilee line, Channel Tunnel, Cross Channel Rail Link, M25, Dartford Tunnel and the Dome. Meanwhile all of Tower Hamlets' refuse was being shipped to a recycling plant in Rainham, Essex. In contrast, the prestigious job of moving Concord on its last journey down river from Isleworth in West London, was an unexpected highlight.

Wayne explained that his father was a far-sighted waterman. "He invested in 'pushing' tugs that became the future of the industry. Pushing was commonplace in Europe, but unheard of in the UK.

"Until the 1960s the towing of lighters was the accepted method. A maximum of six lighters, at 200 tons each, could be towed. A total load of 1,200 tons. We purchased a 'pushing' tug that could move 4,000 tons in a single barge, " he said.

Alan Bennett's foresight with pushing tugs laid the roots of the firm's early success. Throughout the 1970s and 80s other more traditional towage firms went into decline as lorries came to dominate freight movement.

Wayne, who lives in Hoo, served his apprenticeship to become a waterman in the late 70s. He started on the lowest rung, as cook. "I was making homemade meals for the crew, eight or nine men. There would be real trouble if I was late and did not have time to collect our fresh bread from the baker first thing in the morning," he said.

Wayne now enjoys tug boats so much that he is restoring a classic 1960s 'tosher', the waterman's term for a small tug, for his and his two sons', Steven, 15, and Frank, 13, personal use.

Things are changing again. Freight transport is undergoing a green renaissance, with barges and tugs as an integral part of the future. "When we move a loaded 4,000 ton barge it replaces 200 articulated lorries moving the same quantity of freight."

This is a future that Wayne is proud to be involved in. The need to get traffic off congested roads has become a national priority.

In 2002 the Government awarded Bennett's a freight facility grant to purchase two new tugs and five barges. This has led to their next challenge. Bennett's will provide all the water-based freight logistics for the construction of the 2012 Olympic Village. With environment at the forefront, the Government has insisted 50 per cent of all the Olympic construction work is sustainable. River and rail transport will be used to build a large new lock at Bow Creek, which will allow access for raw materials to be shipped onto the Olympic Village site with its dramatic water backdrop.

After the collection of the empty barge from Ridham Dock, Wayne brewed a pot of tea while Sea Challenger 2 pushed past Queenborough, and into the Medway. Just as the skipper John had predicted, the sun had burnt through the fog leaving a glorious sunlit morning. On the shoreline hundreds of birds were feeding in the rich thick mud, and the views over the salt marshes seemed timeless.

WATER BABIES: Wayne Bennett with his two sons Steven and Frank as Concord was taken on its last ever journey past the Houses of Parliament, pushed by tug Steven B

Did they notice the beauty of the surrounding river during their day to day work? The reactions were clear: "It's just lovely out here" said the skipper John. Wayne contrasted it, adding a few tug boat expletives, to the "car park hell called the M25". Stuart, who finished his waterman's apprenticeship two years ago, kept his nose buried in a sea fishing magazine and was probably dreaming of owning his own boat.

As the world watches the Olympic Village take shape for 2012, the family firm which now is part of Aggregate Industries, is ready to play its part in getting the site ready for the global sporting party. AC Bennett and Sons is looking to the future with confidence, proud to be part of the growing green awareness that will provide the transport infrastructure in the 21st century.

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War medal makes its coincidental way home

A WARTIME military medal and dog-tag, unearthed in a Kent field has sparked a remarkable cross-Atlantic coincidence.

Retired intelligence officer Brian Parritt found the items on land surrounding his 17th century house in Chilmington Green near Ashford.

He discovered they once belonged to a Sergeant Harry V Queen from the US Air Force – stationed at the house during World War Two.

Incredibly, the soldier's home town was Watertown in Massachusetts – a stone's throw from where Mr Parritt's daughter, Julie, now lives… more than 3,200 miles away.

And the coincidence has made headline news in the local Watertown newspaper.

Mr Parritt said: "I couldn't believe it when I saw the name Watertown on the badge. My daughter Julie lives near there.

"I remembered the name because during a visit to see her we stopped there for an ice cream.

"The amazing thing is my 11-year-old grandson Henry Booth is keen on the history of Anglo-American relations during the war.

"I have sent the dog tag and rifle marksman medal to him. He is hoping to be able to reunite them with the Queen family or even Harry if he is still alive."

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Kent is a remarkable county, full of contrasts and opportunities to explore and there's no better way to see it than on two wheels. However, you don't have to explore on your own if you prefer cycling with company. The wide range of cycling clubs in Kent means you are never far from a group of enthusiasts who will welcome you into their ranks.

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Please remember that not wearing a seatbelt where fitted is against the law and you could be fined up to £500. It is the driver's responsibility to ensure children under 14 are properly belted in and there are now strict new laws about child seats for children under 135cm in height. More information about this and our campaigns are available by visiting **www.kent.gov.uk** or calling us on **08458 247 800.**

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Start	Finish	Road	Reason
Current	3/12/07	A28 Sturry Road, Canterbury – near Lidl	Initially temporary traffic lights but some night time road closures for 3-4 nights – new bus lane and resurfacing works

Tunbridge Wells

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
15/10/07	16/10/07	Station Road, Goudhurst – outside Goudhurst Service Station	Temporary traffic lights – telecoms works

Maidstone

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
15/10/07	19/10/07	Cox Street, Detling – between Challenge Farm and Barngarth Farm	Road closure – telecoms works

Tonbridge & Malling

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
15/10/07	22/10/07	Tonbridge High Street	Road closure – resurfacing works

Gravesham

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
15/10/07	19/11/07	Whitepost Lane, Gravesend	Road closure – water mains connection

Thanet

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
22/10/07	7/11/07	A28 Canterbury Road, Margate – from opposite Shakespeare Pub to corner of Westbrook Road	Temporary traffic lights and pavement closure – telecoms works

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Traffic concerns over new college

A NEW campus for Thanet College could lead to traffic problems in Westwood, say councillors.

Richard Nicholson, the Labour Party's Thanet leader, has voiced concern that the roads around Westwood Cross could become even more congested if the college moves there, as planned, in 2011.

He said: "We are concerned with what amounts to nothing more than promises and doubtless finger crossing that our infrastructure can accommodate this move to the Westwood area."

The new £43 million campus has been given the go-ahead by council members but awaits further approval from the Government Office for the South East.

Cllr Mark Nottingham, who represents Northwood which suffers from congestion from Westwood, added: "Residents are concerned with this planned move.

"They are not against a better Thanet College but even now, before a brick has been laid, they cannot get out of their driveways because of the traffic."

The new state-of-the-art campus building will cater for 8,000 students and enjoy close links with the neighbouring Canterbury Christ Church University.

MORE than 4,000 drivers have avoided fines and points deductions after attending a new Speed Awareness Scheme.

The course, run by Kent Highway Services, is a year old and is aimed at making sure motorists understand speed limits and how not to exceed them.

Steve Horton, KHS road safety operations manager, said: "This scheme represents a chance for drivers caught speeding to develop their driving, with an emphasis on safety.

"I believe it's also an opportunity for a positive outcome from what could have been a negative experience – prosecution. Drivers that attend are not treated like criminals."

'A bleak outlook'

Leader's warning over County Hall funding

By **PHIL REILLY**
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KENT County Council leader Paul Carter has warned "the outlook looks bleak" for council tax payers following the Chancellor's mini-budget this week.

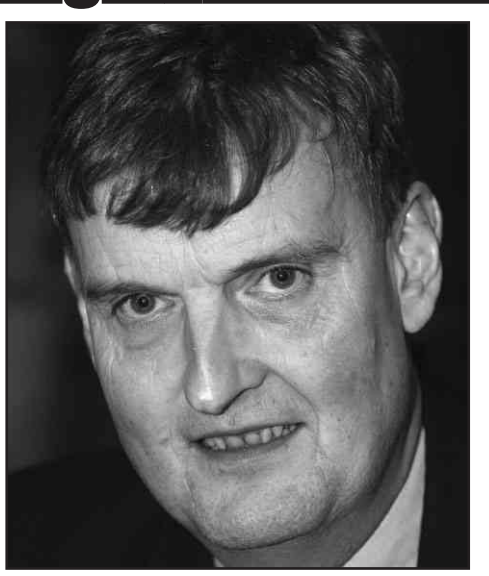
Alistair Darling unveiled his first ever Comprehensive Spending Review on Monday, which included raising the inheritance tax threshold, targeting private equity bosses and 'non-domiciles' and switching air travel taxes to flights and not passengers – all strikingly similar to recent Tory proposals.

The new Chancellor also announced a four per cent yearly rise in NHS spending, an extra £400 million for the Armed Forces and increases in tax credits for children and OAPs.

Mr Carter, who had previously warned the authority was likely to have to tighten its belt in the coming year, said: "Senior finance officers at KCC have indicated that once again real savings of £40m will have to be made to balance the budget next year.

"This follows poor settlement by national Government for Kent year after year. Always putting the people of Kent first, we have risen to the challenge by delivering outstanding efficiency savings, but there is a limit to what we can achieve before frontline services are threatened.

"We now wait for the detailed Revenue Support Grant from Government as council budgets are dependent upon this and the contribution from council tax payers. We will now do all we can to identify further savings whilst protecting frontline services to the residents of Kent whilst endeavouring to keep council tax increases as low as possible."



FRONTLINE WARNING: Cllr Paul Carter

Nick Chard, KCC cabinet member for finance, added: "We will be watching very closely to see how the council cake is carved up and, in particular, that the Government is not draining any more money away from the South East to the big urban heartlands elsewhere in the country."

KCC's Labour opposition leader Mike Eddy and South Thanet Labour MP Stephen Ladyman both issued statements welcoming the budget proposals.

In fact, the statements issued by the two politicians were virtually identical, but in Mr Ladyman's case the word Kent was substituted with either 'South Thanet', 'East Kent' 'our area' or 'my constituency'.

The statements read: "These plans will make a real difference to the lives of local families and pensioners in Kent.

"It's vital we continue to invest in our public services. That's why I'm pleased these plans give more money to local schools so that all of our kids can get a decent start in life. The extra investment in the NHS will mean that maximum waiting times can be reduced even further to 18 weeks and we can have cleaner hospitals and better access to GP services. There's also guaranteed neighbourhood policing for every one of our local communities.

Asylum seekers

"People all across Kent need more and better housing. Labour's plans will deliver them.

"I believe the people of Kent want not only a more prosperous future but a fairer one too. Labour's plans deliver on all counts."

Mr Carter, in conjunction with leaders of other local authorities, is also writing to Gordon Brown and other ministers in the hope to persuading the Government to pay off debts accrued by councils for the accommodation and schooling of unaccompanied asylum seekers under the age of 16.

KCC has an estimated debt of £7m-8m, and Mr Carter is hopeful the Government will agree a payment strategy for future costs.

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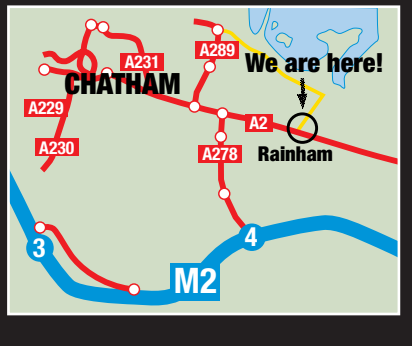

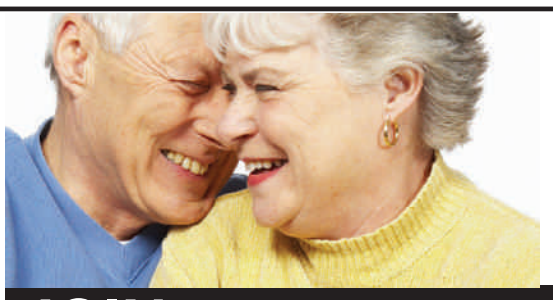

One plus One

Women seeking men

HI, I'm Natasha, 21, 5'8", looking for mr right, I'm a single mum of 1. Like shopping, clubbing relaxing etc. Box 901622 P

21 year old single mum, looking for a sensible, loving man, 22-30, to share cosy nights in and fun nights out, with GSOH. Box 912181 P

CURVY woman, 23, 5ft3, brown hair, likes music, cinema, nights in/out, shopping, looking for honest, kind male, 23-30, for love and romance. Box 423971

BRUNETTE lady, 23, 3 kids, 5ft3, likes pubs, clubs, looking for a man 5ft7+, with a medium build, long brown hair/eyes. Box 428141

LIVELY female, 26, 5ft2, brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy for fun, friendship and more. Box 428555

ADVENTUROUS female, 26, enjoys cinema, swimming, biking, WLTM someone special, 20-30, to share things with. Box 428859

BUBBLY single mum, 25, 5'5", brown hair/green eyes, chef, likes cinema, clubbing, meals out, socialising, seeks caring male, 25-38, for a loving relationship. Ashford. Box 403593

ZOE, 27, 5'8", who enjoys pubs, restaurants, swimming, socialising, I'm looking for a nice, kind, genuine guy for friendship and more. Box 429391 P

RECENTLY separated female, 27, 5ft8, slim, blonde, green eyes, very easy-going & down-2-earth, seeks loving, mature guy to have fun with maybe more. Deal. Box 426559

SINGLE mum, 29, 5ft1, brown hair/blue eyes. I'm new to Margate, and I'm looking for a guy with a GSOH. I enjoy going out, socialising etc. Box 431105

ATTRACTIVE female, 29, size 8-10, 5'8", long hair/blue eyes, enjoys gym, cinema, dancing, seeking honest, reliable male 27-38 with a GSOH, for friendship possible LTR. Box 410494 P

TRACY 30, recently separated, enjoys going out, nights in, having fun, seeks male for friendship maybe more. Box 413958 P

BEAUTIFUL, black, curvy female, 30, WLTM honest, genuine man, for a relationship and maybe more. Folkestone. Box 408865

RECENTLY separated female, 29, seeks humorous male, to bring the spark back to my life. Box 376148

SINGLE lady, 31 years old, Maidstone area, enjoys cinema, going for drives, looking for an easy-going male for friendship, maybe more? Box 422222

LIVELY, attractive female, 32, 5'5", looking to meet that someone special to share life, laughter and love. Box 429124

32YR old kind, warm female, 5'6", cuddly build, love walking my dog, cosy nights in, evenings out, WLTM tall, honest, trustworthy male for friendship. Box 430993

CURVACEOUS, voluptuous female, 32, with a warm sense of humour, looking for a genuine, thoughtful male for friendship and maybe more. Box 430307

CAROLINE, 32, 5ft10, brown hair, likes going out, having fun, cinema, seeks outgoing male for friendship and more. Box 430833

CARING, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

SINGLE mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out and cinema. Box 406670

CREATIVE, happy, loving female, 32, 5ft, blonde/blue eyes, seeks kind, warm, sincere, patient male, with a car, to share my life with. Box 392354

SUSAN, 33, long hair, hazel eyes, tanned, enjoys the usual things in life, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 429879

HI, I'm Annabelle, 32, blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, divorced, 2 children, WLTM a tall, local man, enjoys sport, shopping and relaxing. Tonbridge. Box 420609

SLIM lady, 33, blonde hair, brown eyes, 1 daughter, enjoys music, live bands, aerobics, salsa dancing, looking for a relationship with an honest, caring male. Box 420748

LOVING, caring, black African female, 33, school teacher, WLTM caring, honest, loving, open, professional man, 35-50 with good values in life, for something meaningful. Box 422460

HI, I'm 34 years old, 5'6, brunette, I love having a laugh and socialising, also enjoy watersports and love wearing my wetsuit!!!! Folkestone area. Box 906903 P

AFRICAN lady, 33, brown eyes, likes socialising, music, pubs, cinema, seeks male for friendship and more. Box 413128

INDEPENDENT, professional female, 35, 5'7", fit, GSOH, enjoy travelling, cinema, looking for a like-minded, honest and loyal male to share life with. Box 901771

HI, 35yr old bubbly, fun-loving female, GSOH, looking for friendship, maybe LTR. I enjoy most things in life. Box 430911

ACTIVE, affectionate female, 35, 5ft3, blonde, blue eyes, likes cinema, walking, cycling, swimming, watching wrestling, WLTM tall, dark & handsome bloke. Box 430932

DIVORCED, lively mum, 35, GSOH, I enjoy time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813930 P

36YR old single lady, long blonde hair, big blue eyes, slim, 5ft7, looking for a guy who's caring, honest, for TLC and maybe more. Box 902011

PROFESSIONAL lady, 36, single parent, Dover/Folkestone seeks happy, honest, humourous guy, 34-42ish to enjoy life with. Love cinema, shows, walks and much more. Box 902664 P

FUN, loving, attractive, kind hearted woman. 36 years young, single parent, looking for romance and good times. Box 909110 P

LOVING female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

HONEST, caring lady, attractive, from Tunbridge Wells, 37, hazel eyes, curvy, 5ft6, with a GSOH, many interests, clubs, cooking, cosy nights. Looking for stocky male, 35-45. Box 424364 P

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36YR old nurse, enjoys fun and laughter, travel, nights in/out, music, dancing, reading, theatre. Seeking man for company, maybe more. East Kent. Box 912176 P

ATTRACTIVE female, 36, long brunette hair, green eyes, likes tenpin bowling, country pubs, walks, pubs/clubs, seeks honest, trustworthy male for friendship and love. Box 390559 P

HONEST, kind, caring, attractive, fun-loving woman, 36, with 3 children. looking for man with the same outlook on life. Likes staying in and going out. Box 928680 P

ATTRACTIVE 38yr old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, with curves, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks exciting, fun male for friendship/relationship. Box 901893 P

SHANAZ, 38, petite Asian lady, short dark hair, pretty, likes having fun, eating out, wine bars, looking for a white man for something meaningful. Box 429281

BLACK female, 38 years old, 5ft2, likes going out, seeking a sociable male, who likes having a laugh. Gillingham. Box 429656

KENT female, 39, 5'7", dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks loyal, caring male, for friendship & more. Box 152862

DECENT 36yr old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, eating & having fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 739664

38YR old lively, down 2 earth female, GSOH, enjoy all life's pleasures, looking for relationship. Box 920397 P

DIVORCED, affectionate lady, 40, large build, 5'6", love staying in, cinema, looking for a thoughtful male to share good things in life, leading to LTR. Box 430332

KAREN, 41, slim, 5'6", big brown eyes, very laid back, likes most things in life, would love to meet someone with the same outlook. Box 901692 P

I'M Caroline, 42, single mum, likes having fun, eating out, wine bars, swimming, looking for someone for something meaningful. Box 430952

KIND woman, 42, outgoing, happy-go-lucky, sometimes shy. I like gardening, socialising, travel, walks. Looking for happy, fun fella. Aylesford. Box 428464

PLEASANT female, 43, medium/large build, blue/green eyes, grown up children, beach walks, relaxing, reading, wining, seeks sincere male with GSOH, for LTR. Box 429071

DEAL-BASED lady, 43, divorced, brunette, green eyes, 5ft10, likes going out, pubs, clubs, cinema, shopping, walks, loves films and all sports except cricket. Box 430384 P

HONEST, friendly, caring, loving female, 43, looking for that special person in her life! If your him then contact me. Box 430632

AFFECTIONATE female, 43, likes most things, looking for a loving, romantic man to settle down with. Box 430798

LOOKING for a prince to rescue this princess! Young looking, 43, with sexy eyes and dark long hair, very much in need of TLC! Box 904105 P

YOUNG looking, assertive, fab looking babe, 43. I love to travel, and have a great SOH. Seeking sincere, tactile sort of man for friendship, maybe more. Box 418352

FRIENDLY, N/S female, 44, medium build, long hair, WLTM N/S male. 44-55 for fun, laughter, possible relationship. Ramsgate. Box 903566

PETITE, sincere woman, 44, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming, travelling, WLTM N/S man to share things with. Box 429682

CAROL, honest, caring blonde, 44, 5ft9, chestnut hair, blue eyes, medium build, divorced with 2 kids, many interests, seeks kind, caring gentleman for friendship, romance. Box 429778

DIVORCED female, 44, red hair, blue eyes, chatty, bubbly woman, enjoys the simple things in life, seeks loving gent to love and cherish. Box 429818

SINGLE lady (44), looking for male company. I've got grown up children and I'm looking for a happy, committed relationship. Box 428822

PASSIONATE, 45 year old lady, love reading, cooking, going out and about, looking for a fun male, with similar interests. Tonbridge. Box 425239

45YR old medium build, attractive lady, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, meals, cinema, WLTM a trustworthy, loyal male to share my life with. Box 426617

BUSY, energetic female, 45, 5ft2, blonde, blue eyes, size 12, professional, likes swimming, holiday, relaxing, walking, seeks down-to-earth guy. Box 428633 P

BLUE-EYED redhead, 44, 5'2", enjoy pubs, clubs, cinema, singing, walking, theatre, seeks male 40-50 for friendship, maybe more. Box 913919 P

FRIENDLY, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441 P

44YR old female, 5'5", brown hair, slim/medium build, enjoys pubs, clubs, if you are out there, give me a ring! Maidstone. Box 413448

PETITE lady, 45, long brown hair/green eyes, GSOH, OHAC. I'm separated, no children, I love walking the dog, being by the sea, socialising, cooking, travelling. Box 420373

SINCERE female, 46, loves socialising, nights in, pubs, cinema, music, seeks loving male for friendship and more. Box 428951

SINGLE, professional mum of 1, looking to meet a honest, reliable, fun man. I'm 47, 5'6", slim with long blonde hair and blue eyes. Box 902130

BLONDE, 49, 5ft4, brown eyes, slim, enjoys music, dancing, dining in/out and gardening, GSOH, shy at first. Looking for honest man for friendship, maybe more. Box 904969

LOVING and loyal 49yr old female, GSOH, enjoys walking, countryside, cinema, theatre, pubs, restaurants, music, travel, seeks sincere and loving male between 48-56 for friendship. Box 909974

BUBBLY woman, 49, I live in Deal, have my own flat, and WLTM a solvent, independent guy. I enjoy days out, rugby, nights out, cooking. Box 428878

FUN African woman, 49, likes walking, places of interest, seeks similar male, GSOH, to share interests with possibly more. Ashford. Box 429269

ATTRACTIVE, blonde woman, 5'4", 49, enjoys the gym, cooking, cinema, theatre, travel and restaurants, seeks male for friendship. Box 388091 P

FEMALE, 51, 5'6", attractive, redhead, green eyes, seeking professional, male soulmate, 45-55. West Kent. Box 477686

CANTERBURY lady, 56, recently divorced, looking for a genuine relationship. I like gardening, home life, going out, seeking a male companion. Box 428242

57YR old young-at-heart, hard-working lady, dark brown eyes, not bad looking, well-educated, love camping, caravanning, walks, looking for a like-minded, respectable, genuine male for companionship. Box 431027

YOUNG, 57yr old modern female widow, slim, enjoys nights in/out, socialising, seeking honest, reliable man for friendship, love, affection and TLC. Box 920739

FRIENDLY female 56, likes most things in life, cinema, clubs, pubs, WLTM tall, sincere, caring male, for friendship and good times. Box 320642

SOLVENT, cuddly female, 59, 5'1", love the countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 50s-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179

60YR old friendly, outgoing, young-looking lady, likes walks, dining out, loves animals, enjoys holidays, days out, WLTM lovely man to share quality time with. Box 429886

WIDOW lady, 61, no ties, positive outlook, kind natured with GSOH, like the usual things and would like to find a male counterpart. Box 431210

VERY caring, young at heart, black lady, 63, varied interests, GSOH seeking a N/S, caring gentleman, 58-69, to share happy times. Box 424122

ATTRACTIVE, bubbly lady, 60s, enjoys good food/wine, bowls, countryside, holidays, seeking a sincere, genuine male, 60+, for friendship first possibly more. Box 428798

Men seeking women

WILL, I'm 19, fun, caring and sporty, looking for a female to share nice times with. Box 901720 P

21YR guy, looking for a good girl. I'm smart and a student of graphic design. I would like to have a good friendship. Maidstone. Box 903227 P

30YR old Ashford male, 6ft1, chef, medium build, likes pubs, clubs, socialising, good food and a night in with a good bottle of wine. Box 422983

CARE assistant, male, 30, hazel eyes/brown hair, I enjoy nights in/out. WLTM nice girl, similar age, for fun, friendship, maybe more. Canterbury. Box 423431 P

DOVER man, 32, I like music, films, seeking woman for fun nights out/evenings in. I'm 5ft10, with blond hair/blue eyes, medium/stocky build. Box 422967

FUN-LOVING male, 32, 5ft10, brown hair, mechanic, enjoys pubbing, clubbing, seeks outgoing female for friendship and fun. Box 429937

DOWN-TO-EARTH male, 33, blue eyes, medium build, enjoys cinema, pubs, clubs, seeks easy-going female for friendship and more. Chatham. Box 428315 P

EASYGOING male 31, slim/medium build, GSOH, likes socialising, meeting people, seeks female, to share good times with. Box 428638

LOVING male, 33, 6ft, fair hair/blue eyes, slim. I like cinema, theatre, meals out, cosy nights in with a take away, keeping fit. Box 428767 P

35YR old, separated father of one, very caring and honest, looking for someone kind, honest and loving to share my life with. Box 902187 P

MAIDSTONE male, 35, dark blond hair, dark eyes, nice looking, have 1 little girl, own business, varied interests, looking for a fun lady, under 40. Box 429375

HARD-WORKING male, 36, 5'11", well-built, enjoys keeping fit, cinema, socialising, WLTM a thoughtful female to share quality times together. Box 430268

36YR old honest, kind, caring, single male, blond hair, 6ft, like walks, cinema, nights in/out, enjoy family life, WLTM like-minded, genuine female. Box 430440 P

GOOD-LOOKING male 35, 5'8", no ties, enjoys pubs, restaurants, holidays, bowling, theme parks and more, seeks petite female, to share good times with. Ashford. Box 198029

TALL, single male, 37 years old, hard-working, reasonably good-looking, looking for an exciting lady, who's good-looking. Canterbury. Box 426596

SHY, friendly male, 37, likes going out, quiet drinks, swimming, theme parks, looking for 22+ female, who likes having fun. Single mums welcome. Box 427657

DOWN to earth and loyal guy, 36, looking for companionship, leading to a long-term relationship. Enjoys meals out, good company & conversation, cosy evenings in. Box 914917 P

LOVING, friendly, caring guy, 32, 5'6", blue eyes, passionate, loyal, loves music, travel, dining out, bowling, country walks, WLTM a female for friendship and love. Box 394626 P

TRENDY, fun-loving, professional male, 37, 5'11", brown hair, into motor sports, clubs, pubs, eating out. lots of tlc to give the right lady. Box 394465

FIRST timer, 38, 6ft, brown eyes, professional, solvent man, looking for an honest, reliable, fun lady, to enjoy life with. All messages replied. Rochester. Box 421917 P

38YR old young-at-heart, recently separated male, GSOH, like to get out and about, fishing, WLTM a like-minded, relaxed female. Box 427567

PETER, 38, 5ft11, slim, enjoys music, cinema, dancing, restaurants, seeking loving female, for friendship leading to more. Chatham. Box 425364 P

GOOD guy. 5ft9, blue eyes, stocky build, 39, WLTM 29-42, young-at-heart lady. I enjoy eating in/out, cinema, walks, sports, bowling, reading, music, driving. Box 431153

39YR old outgoing, affectionate male, 6'2", fair hair, like cooking, walks, motor sports, cinema, WLTM caring, honest female for friendship, maybe more. Box 431005

SINCERE, shy male, 38, dark brown hair, blue eyes, slim, WLTM female/single mum, for romantic times. Chatham. Box 371290 P

FUN-LOVING male, 39, 5'10", muscular build, enjoys most things in life, seeks female, who enjoys a laugh, for fun, friendship, possible LTR. Box 395339

EASY-GOING chap, 40, 5ft7, black hair, brown eyes, own business, likes the usual things in life, seeks affectionate woman for friendship leading to more. Box 429816

ACTIVE male, 40, divorced, 5'11", medium build, blue eyes, enjoys swimming, pubs, clubs, evenings in/out, most things, seeks like-minded female for a LTR. Box 410734

EASYGOING male, 40, 6', brown hair/blue eyes, likes pubs, restaurants, animals, laughter. Do you believe there are still some good men out there? Here I am! Box 934739

EASYGOING male, 41, 5'10", brown hair, likes keeping fit, walks, cosy nights in, most things, seeks compatible female. Box 395412

LOVING, caring, kind, affectionate, understanding 42yr old guy, from Kent, 5ft10, brown hair. I enjoy meals out, keepfit, cinema, and days out. Box 428441

OUTGOING male, 42, single, loves riding his motor bike, looking for a chick biker to ride off into the sunset with. Ramsgate. Box 427397

SINGLE man, 43, medium build, 5ft6. I enjoy walking, reading, and sports. WLTM nice, caring woman for friendship, maybe more. Chatham. Box 427047

MICHAEL, 43, 5ft8, medium build, dark hair/eyes, hardworking, likes cooking, sports, disco, walking, seeks similar female for good company. Box 427395

RELIABLE, thoughtful, professional male, 42, 6'2", dark hair, hazel eyes, GSOH, enjoys music, sports, cinema, meals out, WLTM like-minded, attractive female for friendship, possibly more. Box 397492

WARM, tactile male, 42, 6ft, likes socialising, pubs, clubs, cosy nights in, seeks like minded female, for friendship, leading to more. Box 388967

PROFESSIONAL male, 41, Interior designer, own home/car. GSOH, enjoys life to the full, loves walking the beach, cuddling up, socialising, seeks female, for love. Dover. Box 934107 P

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JOHN, 43, brown hair, average build, likes socialising with friends, music, meals out, pubs, the usual. Just looking for someone like-minded. Box 430419

TALL, good looking former athlete, 44, lived in USA many years, likes music, sports cars, looking for exotic lady, GSOH, for friendship, possibly LTR. Box 430121

45YR old thoughtful, reliable male, 5'2", GSOH, gentle personality, love pubs, nights in, gardening etc, WLTM a like-minded, caring lady for companionship. Box 431171

KIND male, 46, 6ft2, blue eyes, medium build. WLTM honest, caring, genuine female. I like walks, cosy nights in, eating out, weekends away. Box 430899

SEARCHING for attractive, unattached lady. I'm 47 (look younger!), 5ft6, 2 grown up children . Enjoy eating out, the beach, musical theatre, sports. Seeking fun/friendship/relationship. Box 428580

YOUTHFUL dad, 45, 5'10", brown hair, med build, divorcee, likes pubs, cinema, restaurants, theme parks, WLTM female, 36-45, slim, for possible LTR. Cranbrook. Box 737529

WARM, sincere, N/S, eligible, stimulating, male, 46, well groomed, OHAC, 5'10", slim/medium, settled but playful, seeks similar lady to share LTR and smiles. Box 924095 P

NON-SMOKING male, affectionate, tactile, GSOH, easy to please! I'm 48, 6ft, dark hair/blue eyes, medium build. Box 431098

NON-SMOKING male, 48, I enjoy going out, socialising, cosy nights in. I'm looking for a female of similar age for days out, weekends away etc. Box 429627

DIVORCED male, 49 years old, professional driver, 6ft, dark, try to keep fit, enjoy walks, clubbing, seeking a lovely lady, to wine, dine and romance. Box 429040

SLIM build male, 49, 5'10", active, sincere, easy-going, friendly,
WLTM smart, like-minded lady, medium height for friendship, evenings out, walks and cosy nights in. Box 430797 P

KIND male, 50, 5ft11, slim, N/S, 2 boys (19&16), likes eating out, visiting London, weekends!!! Looking for kind, caring lady. Looks not important. Box 425308 P

QUIET male, 51, loves playing music, cooking, country pubs, looking for a nice lady for a friendly, trusting relationship. Rochester. Box 425620 P

YOUTHFUL 50 year old, looking for a nice young lady, to go out with for fun times, nights in, could we be soul mates? Ashford. Box 426878

HARD working male, 51 years old, going grey, likes golf, the beach, films, seeking easy-going lady, 40-60, who perhaps enjoys golf. Box 427735

COUNTRY loving fella, 51, a widower, medium build/height, and a GSOH. I love animals and have 1 dog. I like walks, and meals out. Box 427761

ATTRACTIVE, 6ft, fair hair, blue eyed male, 51, looking for an attractive feminine woman for friendship,and if there's chemistry maybe more. I live in Medway. Box 907991

ROCHESTER male, 52, 5ft11, dark hair, head chef for the British army, likes driving, coast, have 2 dogs, birds of prey, seeking a bright lady. Box 427936

FUN-LOVING male, 52, likes going out, playing golf, motor cycles, socialising, visiting new places, WLTM an interesting female. Box 427713

54YR old genuine male, enjoy all type of sports, walks, staying in, restaurants and dancing, wanting to meet Mrs Right for companionship. Margate. Box 426846

LOVING, caring and honest chap, happy, 54, divorced, Spanish. WLTM honest and loving woman, to share good times with. Box 431135

TALL, loyal, fun-loving, tactile, 55 yr old man, enjoys eating out, country pubs, travel, looking for that special lady to give meaning to life. Box 903274

PHIL, 55, fit, active, intelligent and sincere, has affection to spare for a woman with a lively mind and a warm heart. Box 430846

GOOD-LOOKING male, thin on top, 57, 5ft10, slim, enjoys travelling, sports, arts, looking for an intelligent, honest lady, with similar interests. Ramsgate. Box 422086

KENT male, 5ft10, 58, slim. I love jazz, art galleries, theatre, cinema. I'm looking for someone 35-50 ish, who enjoys the same things. Box 430925

ROGER, 60, 5ft11, blue eyes, loves life & having fun, seeks happy, content lady for TLC. Box 431025

60YR old male, medium build, 5ft10, greyish hair, glasses, clear shaven, I'm a widower and now lonely looking for a lady for companionship. Kent. Box 912508

Men seeking men

FOLKESTONE male, 32, loves pubbing, clubbing, driving, good times, seeks like-minded male, for fun and laughter. Box 177479

41 year old male, likes eating in/out, cooking, clubs and pubs, looking for 35-45 year old man Sittingbourne. Box 427705

ROMANTIC, genuine male, 44, with dark hair and blue eyes, medium build. I enjoy nights in, films, cooking, reading. Seeking male for romantic times. Box 427846

HI, mature, very attractive male, 56, genuine and good personality, GSOH, seeks a honest guy for 1-2-1. Deal. Box 429359

Women seeking women

HI, I'm a tall, dark, slim, 20yr old female, bubbly, outgoing, GSOH, looking for a female, for good times... Box 424624 P

GENUINE girl, 21, looking for similar female in the Gillingham area. I'm slim, 5ft4, brown hair/blue eyes. I enjoy going out, music, having a laugh, films. Box 421206 P

SOCIABLE female, 24, 5ft2, long hair, hazel eyes, enjoys the beach, cooking, barbecues, clubs, pubs, looking for female mates, maybe more. Box 428658

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Defenders of the coast

By PHIL REILY
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Cinque Ports' mayors keeping confederation's traditions alive

WHEN Clive Wire stood up to make his speaker's address from the lecturn of an ancient Kent church, he was continuing a tradition dating back centuries.

Mr Wire, the current Mayor of New Romney, is the latest in a long line of Speakers of the Confederation of the Cinque Ports.

The now purely symbolic position can be traced back to at least 1350, but it is thought it is actually closer to a millennium old.

Unruly bunch

It dates back to a time before the country had its own navy, when fisherman and tradesman from ports along the South East coast would form a rag-tag armada in order to defend the realm or launch an attack on another country.

According to Mr Wire, this was almost always a matter of attacking or defending against the French.

He said: "The king or queen was quite often fighting or invading the French and wanted a fleet of ships. It was made up of portsmen, sailors or fishermen, and they were an unruly bunch of men, verging on pirates.

"For the Cinque Ports towns it also meant they were granted a certain amount of privilege. They could set their own laws and taxes and hold their own courts.

"Up until Victorian times, the mayors of the Cinque Ports were required to carry the canopy over the monarch during the coronation."

Many of the privileges were lost in the 16th century when a permanent naval fleet was established, but the mayors of the Cinque Ports are still made barons in coronation years and special seats are reserved for them at the ceremonies.

The speakership is rotated annually between the mayors of the five Cinque Ports; Dover, Hastings, New Romney, Hythe and Sandwich, and the two 'ancient towns' of Rye and Winchelsea.

The Confederation of the Cinque Ports also included seven 'limb' towns: Deal, Folkestone, Faversham, Lydd, Margate, Ramsgate and Tenterden.

The person in charge of the whole unruly bunch is the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, who holds the honorary position of Admiral.

This is currently Admiral the Lord Michael Boyce, who was the Chief of Defence Staff between 2001 and 2003 and happens to be an admiral by rights anyway.

This has not always been the case. Some of his esteemed predecessors include the Queen Mother, Winston Churchill, William Pitt the Younger and WH Smith, founder of the high street stationers.

As the Queen Mother pointed out upon her installation to the post in 1978, Cinque is pronounced "sink – as in kitchen sink".

Mr Wire's role is to be the principal speaker for the confederation and to preside over its meetings.

Every year he is required to make an address to the assembled mayors of the confederation, with this year's speech taking place last Saturday at New Romney's St Nicholas Church, which was built in 1086 by Bishop Odo.

KEY SPEAKER: Mayor Clive Wire (left) with Peter Firth, a lay minister of Old Romney who spoke at the service

ASSEMBLY: Dignitaries of the Cinque Ports at the Speaker's Day service at St Nicholas Church

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A night to remember

Twenty years after hurricane battered the county, tales are retold of havoc it wreaked

By PHIL REILLY
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THE great hurricane of 1987 toppled ships, ripped thousand-year-old oaks from the ground, tore off rooftops and left much of Kent looking like a disaster zone.

Michael Fish may not have seen it coming, but it proved to be the worst natural disaster in the county's modern history, and one that is embedded in the minds of everyone who witnessed it.

Tuesday marks the 20th anniversary of the infamous event, when winds of more than 100mph led to the deaths of 19 people in the UK, including two men in Dover Harbour when their coaster ship capsized.

More than 15 million trees were uprooted, including six of the seven ancient oaks that gave Sevenoaks its name. Five hundred lorry loads of trees were cleared from Knole Park, and hundreds were left blocking roads.

A café at the end of Dover's Prince of Wales Pier was also destroyed when a Sealink ferry smashed into it, and the crew of another of the company's ships had to be rescued when it ran aground in Folkestone.

In total, the damage cost insurers more than £1 billion.

Bob Ogley was editor of the Sevenoaks Chronicle at the time and after waking to find the landscape surrounding his home near Toys Hills completely transformed, he gathered as many of his news team as he could contact and hired a private plane to survey the devastation.

He recalled that his first thought was that someone had dropped an atomic bomb.

"I went outside, only to be overtaken by a large, wooden structure which vanished into the blackness," he said. "It was a rabbit hutch, luckily unoccupied at the time.

"The cottage shuddered and shook, followed by the thud of falling trees.

"At first light I opened the front door and witnessed a scene that was to pass into folklore. Before my astonished eyes giant trees lay prostrate, their roots trailing and tentacle like. My garden and the woods were pockmarked with

APOCALYPTIC: A forest of hardwood trees surrounding this house at Emmetts Garden in Ide Hill was devastated. The scene attracted thousands of visitors to the National Trust garden

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Make the most out of this Christmas

Pictures: BOB OGLEY

GROUNDED: Battered by 90mph winds, Sealink ferry the Hengist broke away from her moorings in Folkestone Harbour and was blown onto the rocks just below the Warren

craters. Snapped branches and torn foliage lay everywhere.

"Beyond this dying zone was a horizon that possibly hadn't existed for 250 years. On that horizon I could see red lights, hundreds of them. I was looking straight at Gatwick some 20 miles away.

"We climbed the fallen branches and from the top of the garden and looked north. There, over what had been two-and-a-half miles of woodland, was the M25 motorway. Unlike the telephone wires, flashing, sagging and swaying under the weight of trees, it was devoid of life."

When he went to find his Peugeot 309 in order to dash to the newsroom, it was under a pile of timber on his drive.

Dramatic

Mr Ogley was able to talk the owner of a local flying school into taking him and two colleagues up in the only light aircraft in his fleet not to have been blown over.

"We took some of the most dramatic photographs of a natural disaster ever seen in South East England," he continued.

"The view from the air was dramatic but distorted. Much of the wooded high ground along the Greensand Ridge had fallen in great swathes and resembled little more than an abandoned game of Spillikins.

"The main road, the A25, through Seal Chart had disappeared under the foliage. So had Riverhill and the area around Stone Street and Ightham Mote."

Welder Vic Matcham, from Dover, found himself "in the middle of a nightmare" when he was working aboard the P&O ship European Trader in Dover Harbour.

He said: "I was called out at about 10pm because an articulated lorry carrying glass had toppled over on the ship and the handrail on one side had been wrecked because it was crashing against the harbour wall.

"Heading through the harbour in the van, all the lamp posts in the docks were going over and we were trying desperately to avoid them.

"I got to the ship around midnight and soon after I got on board the gang plank went into the sea and the mooring ropes started snapping.

"It was terrifying because these are huge, taut steel ropes and they were flailing around. They could easily have cut somebody in half.

"There were around 60 crew on the ship, but all the freight and passengers had already made it off. It was bouncing up and down all over the place and at one point I was just holding on to the captain.

"It was so bad you couldn't see the walls of the harbour, just waves and waves crashing higher and higher. I thought we were going to capsize.

"Because we were crashing against the harbour wall the captain decided we had to head out to open water or we would get smashed to pieces.

"But it was too rough to get out of the pen and we had to try and pull ourselves against the wall again.

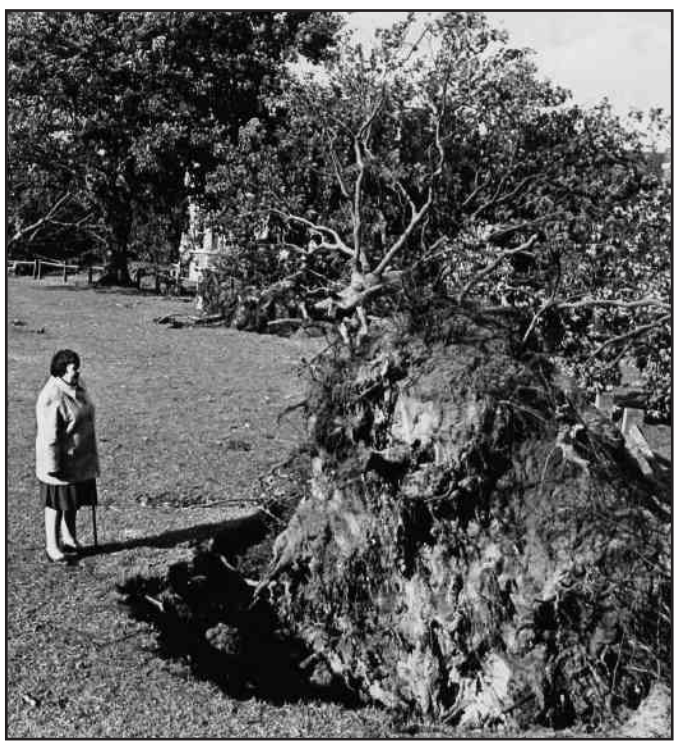
"There was a tug boat that had been alongside us, but the crew said they had to go to the Western Docks because another ship was in trouble, that was the one that capsized that night with people on board."

• Bob Ogley's bestselling book In the Wake of the Hurricane has been reprinted this month. It costs £10.99 and is available from all good bookshops or from Froglets Publications, Brasted Chart, Westerham, Kent TN16 ILY, telephone 01959 562972.

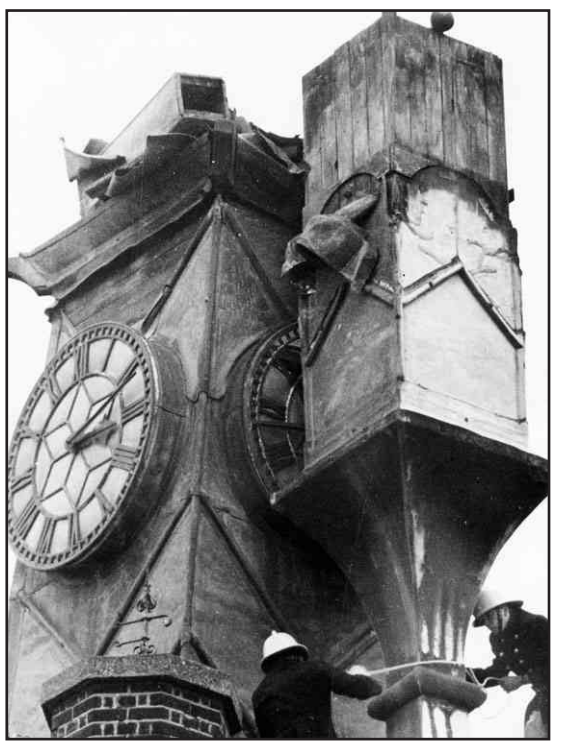
FLATTENED: These fallen firs in Westerham look like someone has dropped a box of matches

HURRICANE FACTS

- The storm is thought to have originated when a jet stream caused by Hurricane Floyd on America's east coast met a cold front on the Bay of Biscay, causing extremely low pressure.
- During the BBC news on the previous night, Michael Fish famously said: "A lady has rung in to ask if there is going to be a hurricane tonight – there is not!"
- He was actually referring to a tropical cyclone in the north Atlantic, which did not reach the UK that night.
- Technically, the storm did not qualify as a hurricane, which is defined as a wind of 64 knots or more (roughly 74 mph) sustained over a period of 10 minutes. Although gusts of up to 130mph were recorded, the highest sustained winds were recorded at between 56 and 63 knots (64-73mph).
- Hundreds of thousands of homes were left without power for more than 24 hours, and in some rural areas it took several days.
- According to the Met Office the last storm to hit the UK on the same scale was in 1703.



UPROOTED: Sevenoaks town councillor, Ann Dawson surveys the damage to the six oaks on the Vine Cricket Ground



EX-SPIRE: Fireman lowere toppled clock tower of the former Lawn Road Primary School in Northfleet

£72m flats plan for elderly

A PFI project worth £72 million to build apartments for elderly and disabled people has been given the go-ahead.

Kent County Council will work in partnership with 10 of the 12 district and borough councils to build and run the 340 flats.

Housing 21 is the private company that will build the 275 extra care apartments for elderly residents.

Another 58 will be for people with a learning disability and seven will be for people with mental health problems.

The costs will be met by PFI credits from the Government and the buildings should be ready for use by 2010.

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Chance to grill bishop

THE Bishop of Rochester will be answering questions from the public at a special event this week.

Dr Michael Nazir-Ali is putting himself in the hot seat on Thursday at the Grill the Bishop event at the Christ Church Centre in Tunbridge Wells.

After a speech by the bishop about his life, the floor will be opened to questions from the public.

The event is the brainchild of the Archdeacon of Tonbridge Clive Mansell.

He said: "Here is an opportunity to ask the bishop questions about his personal faith, Christianity in general, Christianity and Islam and about the place of faith in our modern British society."

The event starts at 7.30pm in the centre's auditorium.

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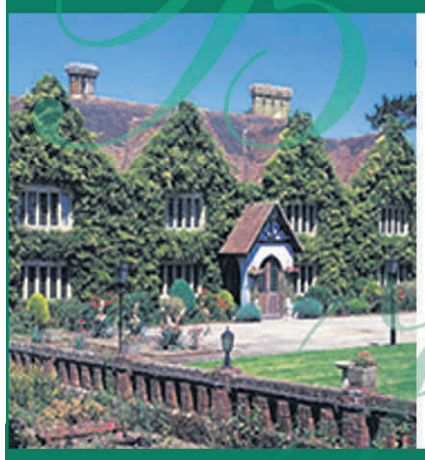

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MORE than four million people voted for Ray Quinn in the highest-rated final of The X Factor's history, and he won six million votes across the series.

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We have teamed up with the Winter Gardens to offer two tickets to Ray Quinn's one and only Kent concert on October 29.

Not only will one lucky winner win two tickets to the concert, they will also get the chance to meet Ray himself.

Ray recorded the album in LA, parts of it at the legendary Capitol Studios where the iconic Frank Sinatra created some of his most memorable music.

The baby-faced Liverpudlian has waited all his adult life to belt out songs from the bourbon-filled years, to relive the period when the Rat Pack hung out and performed in Las Vegas.

His dreams included swinging with the classics, My Way, Ain't That A Kick In The Head, Fly Me To The Moon and That's Life, which Ray sang with Westlife on the record-breaking X Factor final.

He is keen to carry on the dream: "I'm going to grab this amazing opportunity with two hands and enjoy every minute," he promises. "I'm ready to work hard and go all out to let people hear my album so they can make up their own mind.

"I'm a very determined person and I'll do whatever it takes, because I still can't believe I have this chance. I'm honestly having the time of my life."

To enter, simply answer this simple question:

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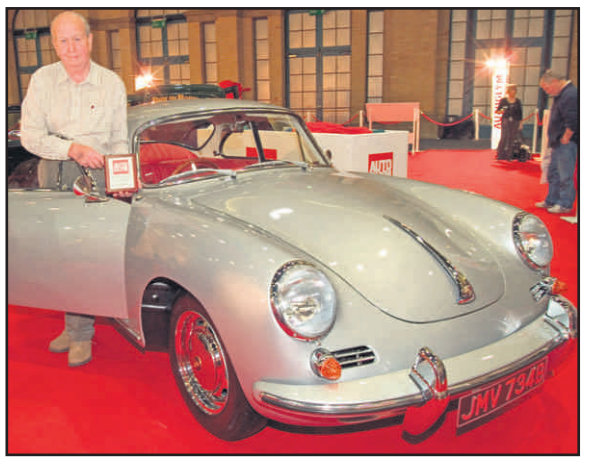

A CAR fanatic is celebrating a major success with his historic sports car that has been restored to a better-than-new condition.

Alan Smith, from Orpington, was delighted to take the top trophy at a car show for his work on a Porsche almost half a century old.

The 43-year-old 356C is Mr Smith's pride and joy and he admits lavishing every luxury on the metalwork.

Now, the 73-year-old retired company director, has won the major award in Europe's top classic car concours championship – regarded as the ultimate measure of restored or preserved cars.

His stunning silver Porsche won the Concours d'elegance trophy in the final of the 2007 Autoglym Classic Concours Championship at Alexandra Palace in London.

The award goes to the car the judges consider to have a combination of the most classic and timeless design and superlative presentation.

It also goes, in the words of one judge: "To "the car we would most like to take home."

Mr Smith added: "This is my first year in the Autoglym Championship, which has a very high standard, and I am delighted to have won an award."

In addition to the Porsche, Alan's motoring stable includes a 1954 Bentley and a 1972 MGB sports car.

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HOSPITAL managers at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust have broken the bonds of trust that tie hospitals to the communities they serve.

They failed in the most terrible way to meet their commitments to patients.

At least 90 people died because of systematic failures by management to enforce the most basic hygiene procedures and standards of care to prevent the spread of the superbug Clostridium difficile.

The findings of the Healthcare Commission's report mean the nation, and not only the victims, now know the errors that led to the worst ever outbreak of C diff.

For the communities in the areas cared for by the hospitals an atmosphere of fear and mistrust surrounds a service which people should be able to trust with their lives.

The Trust has apologised and said that improvements have now been made, although this cannot make up for the loss felt by the families of the patients who died.

But it is nonetheless a step forward and that is where we must now look.

The Trust must work tirelessly and focus on restoring people's faith in its systems and procedures, which it has begun to do.

The report said management was distracted by meeting targets and financial breakeven, this is unacceptable – patient safety must be any NHS trust's priority.

Healthcare professionals are some of the most respected individuals in society and this report should not change that perception of those who devote their lives to caring.

It is now the job of hospital managers to ensure patients are not afraid to enter buildings that should be emblems of lives saved, not lost.

OPINION: Poking virtual friends

JENNA PUDELEK logs onto the issue of the biggest networking site – Facebook

FACEBOOK has been hailed as the fastest growing social networking site with its popularity so far reaching Tory leader David Cameron – never one to miss an opportunity to show he's down with the kids – who cited it in a speech at his party's conference.

It has 30 million members who use it to communicate with each other and meet new people in a variety of ways, from writing on friends' 'walls' or 'advanced walls', 'poking' or 'super poking' and the now mundane-sounding email messaging.

Friends can have virtual food fights and send each other a range gifts from sombreros to pink thongs.

There are groups campaigning for an endless number of ideas and ideals. Recent popular offerings include the political 'Support the monks' protest in Burma', the silly 'I don't care how comfortable crocs are you look like a dumbass' and the rude 'Americans are awful their children are worse'.

And I've left out the more offensive for those that shock easily, but visit www.facebook.com if you fancy a laugh.

Once you've registered with the site you can get on with filling out your profile, with as much or as little personal information as you choose.

But be warned: a recent all-party group of MPs has suggested an advertising campaign should be launched to warn social networkers of the dangers of identity fraudsters targeting people online.

The report found one-in-six 16 to 25-year-olds have published sensitive information on sites such as Facebook, Bebo and MySpace, including mobile phone numbers.

Anyway back to the fun – next you can choose a picture of yourself, or anything you want to represent your Facebook-self, I've so far managed to collect an old work mate disguised as a camel and another as a Simpsons character.

Then you can start searching for people you want to be your friends and requests will be sent to their inboxes.

Another word of caution however, a friend of mine recently revealed her horror after discovering her dad had requested her friendship.

Harsh you may think, what's wrong with the old man wanting to get involved in the latest internet craze? Well, I haven't yet mentioned that one of the best things about the site is that you can download photographs to share with your friends online.

After a summer enjoying the finest music festivals Europe has to offer, the thought of her father checking those out was truly horrifying.

Questions of Facebook etiquette often arrive, should one ever turn down virtual friendship? Not, if like most people, you're playing the numbers game to show off that you now have 300 'mates' at the next dinner party with your real friends.

I discovered recently that a former friend, in fact a former flatmate I had thought had been cut out of my life after our final year of university, had requested my friendship.

But the glorious thing about Facebook is, they can be your friends but you don't need to actually talk to them and so far, while not one awkward poke or wall writing has occurred, I almost feel like we've 'made-up'.

As already mentioned, there is a darker side to the phenomenon. Recent reports revealed the site was providing a forum for pro-anorexia groups to reach a far wider audience than websites offering tips on extreme dieting.

The groups often appear to present serious eating disorders as a glamorous lifestyle choice where members can go for 'thinspiration' to see pictures of scarily slim girls.

Facebook failed to respond to a BBC investigation, but MySpace said that rather than censoring them it would target the groups with adverts for advice and support.

Six major companies, including the AA and Virgin, withdrew advertisements from Facebook recently after they appeared on a British National Party page.

Not wanting their brands tarnished, they voted with their feet. A better example of the democratic nature of the site was when students used it as a platform to protest over HSBC's decision to start charging interest on the overdrafts of new graduates.

The group – 'Stop the great HSBC graduate rip-off' – attracted more than 2,500 members and the bank backtracked on its decision.

Started by two geeky Harvard students three-and-a-half years ago for the use of students – it was recently valued at $10 billion.

But will its growth and dominance continue? Well, I'm sure all the cool kids will soon find some other platform to express themselves and indulge in cyber chats, if they haven't already.

Who cares, I'm off to join the 'Am I the only person who doesn't like David Cameron?' group.

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George Cross time

In 1944 the idea was first mentioned that Dover deserved to be awarded the George Cross medal for civilian gallantry in recognition of the enormous courage and fortitude shown by its people during the war. Sixty years later Vic Matcham suggested that it was about time that something was done about completing the process. The campaign we started then has had its ups and downs but the award is still outstanding and Dover still deserves it as much as ever.

In order to push forward with the campaign we have formed a constituted committee, to enable us to raise funds to pay for publishing, promoting and researching, etc, and are planning a website. This time we hope to be able to co-ordinate everyone's efforts and support as we push forward to let the world know the spirit that was and is Dover.

Our history is a proud and honourable one, its traces still all around us and should be appreciated. We hope that this campaign will stay outside of politics or egos and concentrate on what it is really about – recognition for Dover. All help will be gratefully received and we do want to hear from everyone with ideas, memories or expertise they would be willing to share with us.

Together we can win through and get the appreciation for Dover that has for so long been held back. Please do get in touch, even if only to offer encouragement.

Chris Precious (chairman)
George Cross for Dover Campaign

Speed legislation won't stop casualties

The prospects for better policing of Kent's rural roads are minimal given the pitiful numbers of traffic officers in Kent and their current deployment. Successive governments have stood by whilst a Traffic Division of some 350 officers at five bases throughout the county has been reduced to one centre with barely a quarter of the previous establishment. These officers are confined predominently to our motorways, the uniformed presence on the busy 'gateway to Europe' enhanced by Highways Agency lookalikes.

Speed cameras are denigrated now as mere cash machines with little road safety benefit, so they are unlikely to be placed in rural areas. Even if they were, they would not detect the unlicenced, the uninsured, the drunk, or those who persist in driving dangerously and whilst rural roads are not dangerous in themselves, some people using them most certainly are.

Most drivers have not had the training I was privileged to undergo so the concept of 'defensive driving' passes them by. Basic errors, familiarity and willful inexperience are the main causes of the disproportionate levels of death and injury in our countryside. Bends are taken too fast and by that I mean that the driver cannot hope to stop in the distance they can see to be clear. Local drivers with knowledge of the road travel more quickly than strangers; they tend to use the roads at the same time each day so become complacent when anticipation and concentration should be paramount. Young drivers are apt to drive fast no matter where they are, the flowers at the roadside a sad memorial to youthful exuberance and stupidity as many of these crashes involve single vehicles and too often, multiple deaths.

By their nature, rural roads are more interesting, enjoyable and demanding and some quality high-profile driver education through the media is long overdue. We have Top Gear and Fifth Gear; what about Right Gear? However, I fear that as the casualties mount, the authorities will do what they always do, legislate their way out through speed limit reductions then hope for the best. As for real police patrolling and enforcement, it is a matter of time and temperature – when Hell freezes over.

Malcolm Brockman
(retired Area Traffic Inspector, Kent Police), Folkestone

A hero's welcome

Following the recent debate in the national press in respect to the treatment of returning servicemen from Afghanistan and Iraq I would like to know whether councils such as Maidstone are going to give these brave men and women the due respect and recognition of their efforts and duty to this nation's security by the genuine gesture of a welcome home parade. This may seem trivial to some but I suspect our servicemen do not hear it very often from the general public and probably wonder at times why they are putting their lives at risk.

Considering the presence of servicemen based in Maidstone and the community living in the county, I think it would be a well received gesture and must be the first step in allowing our forces to re-integrate themselves back into home life so as to remove one of the causes of dislocation with society at large.

It would also be a wonderful opportunity for the rest of us to show our support.

So come on Maidstone Borough Council, give our young men and women the return they duly deserve.

Gareth Kendall
Maidstone
(Chairman UKIP Maidstone & Weald)

ID safety issues

I was amazed to read in last week's issue of KoS that Dover MP Gwyn Prosser believes that when people sneak into the country undetected it is because we don't have a secure ID card system. Actually I think it happens because someone is not doing their job.

Identity cards, biometric or otherwise, are never going to stop illegal immigrants getting in. Neither will they curtail the activities of terrorists or criminals. Such people are never far behind when it comes to technology. In fact ID cards and the database behind them are likely to make us less secure.

The Government's record on security is far from good, and its track record with computer databases is woeful (passport office, CSA, HMRC etc). How long after the introduction of ID cards before they are being cloned and sold on the black market?

This would be the ultimate in identity fraud.

I would like to know how Gwyn Prosser can justify charging law-abiding British citizens, already hard pressed, an exorbitant fee for forcing them to carry a card telling them they have the right to live here. There are thousands of people in Britain who came in illegally about which the Government knows nothing but as they've got an amnesty we must assume they are no threat to security.

The temptation to link the ID database with others, such as the NHS spine system will be irresistible. There will always be an excuse to justify further intrusion into people's lives. Give politicians the power to do something and sooner or later they will use it.

Imagine these powers in the hands of a more sinister government.

Nigel Erricker
Deal

More of the same?

When Gordon Brown took up his (unelected) office as Prime Minister, he said he wanted to "clean up politics" and "make a new start".

Don't be fooled, this Gordon Brown is not the new kid on the block in politics by any stretch of the imagination and has had every opportunity in the past 10 years to "clean up politics" and avert some of the disasters that the Labour Government has inflicted on the people of this country, and the Middle East.

With regards to "make a new start", he now says when challenged to hold an election, that he does not intend to have one as "I think I have a duty to set out my vision for the future".

Vision! Future? More like a

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Denise and Paul are pleased to announce the birth of their son Tyler Devon born on 3rd October 2007 in Buckland Hospital Dover.

BASSANT
Sheena born on 13th September 2007, weighing 7lb 7oz. Daughter to Sheeraj and Elodie. Our most beautiful and precious daughter.

BEAL
Charlie Jacob born on 19th September 2007, weighing 8lb 3oz. Son to Tamara Rogers and Wayne Beal in Maidstone.

BECKETT
Ian and Joy Beckett are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Evelyn Joy on 26th August 2007, weighing 7lb 14oz.

BELL
Matthew and Leanne of Herne Bay are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful baby daughter, Alicia Kaitlyn Bell, on the 27th September 2007 weighing 6lb 12oz.

BENSON
Dave and Donna Benson celebrate the birth of their daughter Charisse Shardai Ann Benson. Born 5th September 2007. Weight 6lb 2oz. Little sister to Ewan. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

BUTLER
Mark and Katy celebrate the birth of their daughter Lucy on 21st September 2007. Baby sister to James.

CASSAR
Michael Jake born on 28th September 2007,weighing 8lb 12oz. Son to Michael and Danielle in Margate. Brother to Gracie.

CORNELL
Stuart and Donna celebrate the birth of their son Samuel Cornell on 25th September 2007 weighing 8lb 1oz at Darent Valley Hospital. Lots of love Mummy and Daddy x.

DIVINE
Samuel and Katrina of Whitstable are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Ava Louise, on 22nd September 2007 weighing 6lb 3oz. A new baby sister for Isaac.

FERNEY
Jake born on 30th September 2007 ,weighing 6lb 11oz. Son to Fleur and Grant. Brother to Grace and Grant.

FINN
Kevin and Aimee celebrate the birth of their son Frank on 25th September 2007. Brother to Neve.

FOSTER
Daniel and Joanne celebrate the birth of their son Kayden Martin Lee on 24th September 2007. Brother to Kaitlyn. Our most beautiful and precious son.

GARAI
Dr Robin Garai and Tania Garai of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Taniska Garai on 29th September 2007 weighing 3.5kg.

HARE
Sarah and Jon are delighted to announce the birth of their son Jon Dorian, born on 23rd September 2007 at Buckland Hospital. Brother to Emma, Michael, Taylor and Erin.

HASWELL
Tony and Vicki celebrate the birth of their son Shay Layton on 26th September 2007. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

HUGHES
Daren and Daphne of Canterbury are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Caitlin, on 3rd October 2007. A new sister for Aaron and Zoe.

HUNT
Madison Alice born on 30th September 2007, weighing 7lb 8oz. Daughter to Mandy and Matthew. Sister to Bryony. Mummy and Daddys special little angel.

LIBBY
Paul and Helen are delighted to announce the birth of their son Alex Harry on 23rd September 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital, weighing 7lb 15oz.

LOGAN
Tony, SallyAnne and James are delighted to announce the arrival of Isobel Christian on 26th September 2007.

LUCAS
Mark and Rebecca (nee Hadley) are pleased to announce the Birth of Benjamin Harvey James on the 30th September 2007at Pembury Hospital.

MOONEY
Freya Joan born on 1st October 2007, weighing 7lb 2oz. Daughter to James and Victoria. Sister to Ella Louise. Mummy and Daddys special little angels.

MORRIS
Majella and Robert of Dover are delighted to announce the birth of their son Owen Patrick, born on 25th September 2007 at Buckland Hospital.

NAYLOR
Darcey Estee born on 4th October 2007 in Canterbury weighing 7lb 4oz Daughter Jessica and Justin.

NOWBUTSING-HARRIS
Adrian and Yamla of Hartlip celebrate the birth of their daughter Bhuvana on 21st September 2007.

OATES
Scarlett Mary born on 29th August 2007, weighing 7lb 3oz. Daughter to Chris and Lauren in Broadstairs.

OLIVER
Sarah, Paul and big brother Josh of Herne Bay are proud to announce the safe arrival of their twins William and Madeleine born on 11th September 2007.

SHAJI
Shaji and Miriya are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Hannah, born on 28th September 2007 at QEQM.

SHELLEY
Charles Ray Dean born on 25th September 2007, weighing 8lb 10oz. Son to Lee and Hana in Ramsgate.

SHOVE
Keith and Geraldine are delighted to announce the birth of Mani Edward, a brother for Alafair, born on 28th September 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 10lb 8oz.

SMITH
Kiera Leigh born on 29th September 2007, weighing 6lb 1.5oz. Daughter to Amanda and Kirk Smith in Dover.

TOMPSETT
Lewis and Naomi of Faversham are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Alice Isabel, on 2nd October 2007. Alice weighed 7lb 2oz.

TRIMMER
Justine and Stephen Trimmer of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their son Jay Ethan Trimmer on 1st October 2007.

TUFFS
Lucy May born on 28th September 2007, weighing 7lb 11oz. Daughter to Emma (nee Butterworth) and Mark.You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

WATTS
Danny-Lee David born on 30th September 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital, weighing 7lbs 14oz. A son for Sarah, grandson for Caroline and Rob, David and Tracey.

WEST
Joanna and Philip West of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Chloe Louise West on 2nd September 2007.

WEST
Anett and Ian are pleased to announce the arrival of John David on the 31.8.2007.

WESTBROOK
Luke Harvey born on 27th September 2007, weighing 7lb 7oz. Son to Tina and Mark Westbrook of Kingsnorth.

WHARLLEY
Libby Ann Ruth born on 25th September 2007, weighing 9lb 1oz. Daughter to Nikola Jane in Ramsgate. Grandad and Grandmas special little angel.

DEATHS

BURKE
James (Jim) of Ashford, formerly of Chipstead, Kent, died peacefully on 2nd October 2007. Sadly missed by his wife Joy, daughter Marion, son-in-law Steven, and grandchildren Charlotte, Sophie, Cleo and David.

CORNELIUS
12th February 1937 - 8th October 2007. Trevor John Cornelius of Appledore, passed away suddenly after a short illness. Funeral arrangements please contact Scotland and Bates 01233 758325.

DE FREYNE
Gertrude De Freyne of Park Wood, passed away peacefully on 8th October 2007, Much loved and dearly missed by friends and family.

DENNE
Beryl Elisabeth Denne of Lyminge passed away peacefully on 7th October 2007. The widow of Wilfred (Wilf) Denne, formerly the landlord of The Prince of Wales, Rhodes Minnis. Cremation to be held at Barham on Friday 19th October at 12 noon. Flowers to Chittendens of Folkestone.

DRAGE
Raymond Drage passed away on 6th October 2007 in Maidstone Hospital aged 80.

GOSLING
Albert Sydney of Canterbury passed peacefully away on 4th October 2007 he will be missed by all his loving family.

GOWLETT
June Gowlett of Whitstable sadly passed away on 3rd October 2007 after a long illness. She will be greatly missed by all the family and everybody who knew her.

HARVEY
Williamina passed away peacefully on 2nd October 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital, aged 88. Family request no flowers, donations to Macmillan Nurses. Enquiries to Earl and Co 01233 620522.

HENRY
Ron Henry died 29 September 2007 after a long illness. He will be sadly missed by all the family.

LANSBURY
Peter James Lansbury of Maidstone passed away on the 2nd October 2007. Enquiries to Doves Funerals, Maidstone 01622 688662.

LARKIN
Jean Chapman Larkin (Menzies) of Sittingbourne, died peacefully on September 28th 2007, aged 91.

MILLS
David Leonard Mills passed away peacefully on Tuesday 2nd October 2007. Much loved Husband, Dad and Grandad. Will be sadly missed.

SWAIN
Sybil Rosina passed away at the Pilgrims Hospice Ashford, on 9th October 2007, aged 73. Funeral enquiries to 01227 700113.

TREEBY
Lena Treeby of Maidstone, formerly of Lidsing, passed away on 8th October 2007, aged 70. Funeral to take place on Thursday 18th October at Bredhurst, enquiries to John Weir Funeral Directors 01634 373111.

WOOLMER
In loving memory of my dearest mother Dorothy who passed away peacefully on 8th October 2007 in Folkestone. Will be sadly missed by Jean and all the family, and customers of the Cat and Custard Pot in Paddlesworth.

DNA claim by murderer Stone

MYSTERY DNA found at the scene of the brutal double murders of Lin and Megan Russell lies at the heart of a new bid by killer Michael Stone to win an appeal against his conviction.

With the Criminal Case Review Commission (CCRC) admitting earlier this month it would re-examine the case, Stone's sister, Barbara, hopes DNA found at the scene of the murders in Chillenden will implicate someone else and clear her brother's name.

Stone, 46, is currently serving three life sentences for the murders of Lin, 45, and Megan Russell, six, and the attempted murder of Josie Russell, then just nine, 11 years ago.

Speaking to KOS Media, Miss Stone said: "We have made requests to get this DNA evidence before, but it has always been refused. But the CCRC has a right to go in and get it. All we have got to show the judge is that if the jury had seen this evidence at the time of the trial, they would have come to a different verdict."

There has never been any DNA evidence linking Stone to the murder scene, but twice he has been found guilty of the murders which shocked the nation.

He stood trial initially in 1998, and again in 2001. His first conviction was quashed, but he was convicted at the retrial on evidence provided by career criminal Damian Daley, who claimed Stone had confessed to him.

Miss Stone said: "Damien Daley's evidence is the only thing standing between my brother and his freedom."

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continuation of the nightmare we, as a nation, have endured for the last 10 years.

After 100 days, and with his monkey (Blair) out of the way, we are left with the organ grinder showing every sign of continuing in office with the same level of mendacity and contempt towards the nation that has become the norm for his party.

Brown, together with his Scottish McMafia, should do the decent thing and let the country decide the way forward – and do it sooner rather than later.

Bob Alexander
Swanley

Elderly PO victims

Your piece on post office closures is right to say 'Post office closures will hit elderly hard' (KoS, October 7). No post office should be allowed to shut without a public enquiry.

Politics has been allowed to descend into the cost of everything and the value of nothing. My disabled son can no longer collect his benefits within walking distance of his home, he is forced to attend a crowded post office in Croydon where he often has to stand for an hour to transact his business.

As a result he has swollen legs and suffers much discomfort. Croydon has a good public transport service and that cannot be said for Kent where buses are run for profit, very infrequently.

Young people with little understanding of public affairs are tempted to vote by tax cuts while the old suffer. Post offices which have served us for generations are to be shut because they don't show a profit, but public services never do. There has been a post office in Hythe Road, Ashford, since I went to school there 78 years ago. It is now said benefits are paid direct, but where are they converted to cash? Post Offices!

Old and infirm people will have to clamber on to occasional buses in icy weather to go the extra mile – disgraceful. Birchington is full of retired people who will suffer the closure of the Minnis Road Post Office. This is part of the populist campaign for the young vote making the old suffer in the process. As soon as the postal strike is over let's all write a complaint letter to postwatch HQ, 28 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1. You can ring 0845 7223344 but it will take you all day.

Roy E Bennett
Sutton

Thanks for the news

The sun in shining, it is Sunday and off we go to the Coolings Garden Centre display of plants and flowers; colours to brighten the dullest day. We picture how they might enhance our garden, over a pot of tea, apple pie and Kent on Sunday.

This week alas we were too late, KoS had all gone.

As editor of the Society of Civil & Public Service Writers magazine, I know how much the letters column is valued by readers, but KoS letters are outstanding and you are to be congratulated for proving so much space for the interesting, informative and often controversial views, expressed.

In general I support your correspondent's view that you do not dominate your paper with stories of doom and gloom, though I missed the week after your page one headline referred to the millions (or was it billions?) lost to pensioners by the drop in share value. I wanted to see if the following week quoted how much the value increased, as the FT index made close to a full recovery. Well, even if you didn't, you still give us plenty of good news and long may you do so.

I lost my Kentish father when I was a baby, so knew little of the county; having been born in Somerset and arrived here via Lancashire, Hampshire, Dorset and Hertfordshire, but KoS has enlightened me in many ways. For this too I thank you.

Adrian Danson
Bromley

PS In case it is of interest, our magazine is called Author and our society members are serving our retired Civil Servants and members of the armed forces. Unfortunately, with the dispersal of so much of the Civil Service and fragmentation of the Armed Forces publications, few potential members are even aware of our existence. With a string of famous presidents, including Humbert Wolfe, Lord Vansitart and CP Snow, and vice-presidents Richard Adams, PD James and John le Carre, we should do better, but perhaps we now need a Ms Rowling – who knows perhaps there is one amongst KoS readership.

What road policy?

You quoted roads minister Jim Fitzpatrick, when referring to road accidents, as an "horrendous level of carnage". Perhaps he should have confessed, that for the past 10 years the Government's single issue road safety policy (speeding) has been happy prosecuting millions of drivers and collecting over a billion pounds in revenue but has been a total failure!

Road deaths have not come down by any large amount, in fact, in real world terms

they have probably gone up.

You 'invest' both financially and morally in road safety, by teaching children (who will eventually become drivers), from an early age, to think about their actions and consequences of those actions.

This means first as pedestrians, then as cyclists and then as drivers; a natural progression. People that do the first two with inconsideration to others, are not going to improve, just because they have a driving licence.

You also, can not divorce bad, selfish driving from the wider general concerns about anti-social behaviour and evermore restrictive legislation, making many just 'opt-out' from what is regarded as good citizenship. For example, over 20,000 newly qualified drivers lost their licences for gaining six points in their first two years of driving.

Most of these 'points' would have been for some petty infringement, so all their hard work, considerable cost and effort in passing their test is callously thrown aside. Cheated, by what they see as harsh, disproportionate punishment for their actions, a percentage must just drive on, un-insured?

The Government has forced many to chose a path that is not consistent with creating a better society.

Terry Hudson
Herne Bay

Brown gets my vote

As a long-standing member of the Labour Party I was always confident that Gordon would keep his head when all around were losing theirs and not call an unnecessary election.

He should have spoken earlier to squash the speculation which was being created by sycophants in high places.

Ordinary members of the Labour Party in the front line have never been in favour of an early election.

One good thing that has come out of this is that it has confirmed David Cameron as the undisputed leader of the Conservative Party.

That must be good for Labour in the long term.

David Burgess
Hawkhurst

Orwellian nightmare

Dover Labour MP Gwyn Prosser's attack on the Conservatives, "MP slams Davis' plans to scrap ID card scheme", Kent on Sunday, October 7, were not entirely unexpected, but so very wrong. Gwyn was on the Home Office Working Party that dreamt up and planned the whole ID card scheme so he obviously backs 'his baby' at every opportunity.

I cannot let the comment that ID cards are important to the integrity of our border go unchallenged. People who cross borders do so with the controls of passports and sometimes visas. These are also being tightened with inclusion of biometric details and in the near future interviews before you get one. So what can this have to do with compelling (eventually) the entire population – travelling or not – to have ID cards as well, which will doubtless become impossible to live without in a few years and will also give future governments unprecedented personal information about us all and control over our lives.

All this of course at enormous cost – not least to each individual cardholder. We shall in future be expected to pay for being spied on. Incidentally, people who arrive seeking refugee status already get issued with special ID cards.

Another nail in the coffin of freedom, liberty and privacy. Legislation has already gone through and more is in the pipeline to allow ever more sharing of data between different government departments and agencies – and even other organisations, which makes a mockery of their initial promises about data protection, to allay fears at the time the ID Cards Act was passed.

Will this personal information be secure? Not on your life! Thousands of officials will have access to it. RFID microchips can be remotely read by anyone with the right scanning equipment, even without your knowledge. The wrongdoers it's meant to catch will doubtless manage to get around the system, but life will get very difficult for ordinary people should the slightest thing go wrong and "computer says no". If your bank details get stolen, inconvenient though that is, you can get new cards and details, and change a PIN as often as you like. If your biometric e-identity is stolen, you cannot change your looks, iris, fingerprints or DNA. Belgium has already gone further down the biometric identity road than the UK, and guess what? Their system security has already been compromised.

Step by tiny step and scare story after scare story, we are inexorably becoming a database surveillance state, with every move we make, every service we use recorded – which will ultimately lead to total state control of lives. ID cards are the start; link them to e-passports, driving licences, the new children's databases, ANPR cameras, CCTV cameras, black boxes in cars for road pricing and if police chiefs get their way, everyone on their DNA databases – and big brother will truly be here, the Orwellian nightmare will have become fact.

Ian Taylor
Co-ordinator, Dover Branch of the NO2ID Campaign, Dover

Disabled car dilemma

Had G Coring of Birchington visited Hastings as a friend did, parking in a unmarked bay because the disabled bays were full, they would have returned to their vehicle to find a ticket on it and a fine of £60.

On phoning the council he was told that just because he had a disability badge it did not mean that he could not pay.

However, on complaining by letter, the fine was cancelled,with a caution.

What is going on? In Whitstable I can park in any bay, disabled or otherwise, as long as my blue badge is in view on the dashboard.

R Brettell
Rainham

Pension rates are high

One would think from David Morby's letter (October 7) that we pensioners have to live on the basic state pension, and nothing more.

The fact is that, thanks to the Pension Credit, even the poorest is entitled to substantially more than the basic pension; average pensioner income today compared with 10 or 20 years ago has gone up much more, relatively speaking, than that of the rest of the population; and most of the personal wealth and savings in this country is owned by older people. There are also the various "freebies" that we are entitled to. Most poverty today is not among pensioners at all, but among much younger people, often those struggling to bring up children.

Mr Morby's reference to other EU countries is misleading, because their systems are quite different; their occupational pension levels are generally well below ours so it is hardly surprising that their state pensions need to be higher.

A Pavelin
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A car is a weapon

Firstly, KOS referred to the tragic deaths on the A258, etc, as 'accidents'. They are not 'accidents'; because there is almost always a cause. A driver is effectively in control of a lethal weapon. A weapon, which causes more damage than any firearm, but it is rarely treated with the respect it warrants.

Ian Taylor from the Association of British Drivers is barking up the wrong tree when he claims that straightening out bends and widening roads makes for greater safety, in fact, history has demonstrated that in practice the reverse applies (I recommend to all road users to refer to the recently reprinted, and excellent book on the history of road traffic, entitled: Murder Most Foul). However, I do agree that drivers should take (much) more care, and obey the law. Good manners, patience, and greater consideration for others would go a long way to reduce road carnage.

True to our car-dominated culture, whilst KoS referred to 74 deaths it only expresses its concern about drivers. Failing to mention the most important, but the most vulnerable, road users: pedestrians, and cyclists.

It is interesting, that the main pedestrian casualties groups are children and the elderly (the less active and able of our citizens); whilst most car crashes involve drivers between the ages of 20 and 40 the most alert and active) who fill the gap between the other two groups.

Note, World Day of Remembrance of Road Traffic Victims is on the November 18.

Ian Taylor of ABD is reported as saying that roads need to be straightened and widened. Even if we could afford it, it would be totally impractical to do, and would completely ruin the rural Kent we know and love.

Our roads are not the problem, but those who use and abuse them. Drivers generally take more care, when roads are narrow, undulating, and winding.

I would hazard a guess that the advent of the GPS/Sat-Nav has encouraged drivers, who are in a hurry, to deviate from traffic congested major roads onto rural ones, using them as back-doubles, and generating rat-runs. It is speed and impatience that kills.

Ted Prangnell, Kennington, Member of Roadpeace, Living Streets, and The Cyclists Touring Club

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Girls construct careers

INCREASING numbers of women are being attracted to sectors of construction that have typically been dominated by males.

Colleges are now setting up courses to help them continue to break into the market.

Girls from schools across Kent found out what jobs they might like in construction industry during a special open day last week.

As part of National Construction Week 2007, South Kent College ran taster events at the Folkestone and Ashford campuses.

Girls in Years 10 and 11 were able to try their hand at carpentry, painting and decorating, plumbing, electrics, brickwork and plastering.

The girls, aged from 14-16, came from Christchurch School, Ashford, Fulston Manor School, Sittingbourne, and Sittingbourne Community College to attend the sessions and learn first-hand exactly what is entailed in the induustry.

National Construction Week took place across the UK between October 8-12 and aimed to inform young people about the many different careers open to them in the modern construction industry.

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Workshops for the web

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
editorial@kosmedia.co.uk

MAKING the most of the internet can be vital for some companies' survival, and so two workshops have been organised to help.

Business Link is running free events entitled Search Engine Success.

They will provide practical lessons for doing business online, including tips on how to increase web traffic, inquiries, sales and revenue while reducing overheads.

Deryck Banks, business services manager at Business Link in Kent said: "This is an exciting event that will provide attendees with insider knowledge and techniques that professionals use to improve your organisation's search engine rankings and pay per click campaigns.

Opportunity

"Cyberspace can be a daunting place but these events will enable people to brief their web designers with confidence and not be intimidated by the 'science' of the internet.

"The internet offers a unique marketing opportunity, but in order to maximise the opportunities available you need to have an idea of how it works.

"Pay-per-click – arguably one of the most exciting forms of modern internet marketing – has changed enormously over the last year.

"Companies need to be aware of the latest techniques in order to gain the best return; these events will cover topics including tips for Google AdWords and an overview of Microsoft adCentre and Yahoo! Panama."

The lessons will be given by experienced internet consultants Charles Ward and Nick Stocks.

EXCITING: Advisor Deryck Banks

They will be appropriate for businesses of any size and sector.

The pair, who have worked with clients ranging from home-based businesses to large corporations, will demonstrate how to achieve real results with Google and other leading search engines.

They take place on November 28 at the Ashford International Hotel, Ashford, and on December 12 at the Ramada Resort Hotel, Maidstone.

More information on 08454 58 85 57 or www.businesslink.gov.uk/southeast/search.

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Aiming high inspires top award

AN organisation that helps disadvantaged youngsters progress has won a major national award.

The Aimhigher staff in Kent and Medway scooped the prize for Most Inspirational Student Success Story at the first National Aimhigher Awards, beating around 150 other entrants.

The accolade highlights the significance of the work Aimhigher is doing in the county to help youngsters from disadvantaged backgrounds progress into higher education, by raising their aspirations and attainment.

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Professor Susan Piotrowski, the chair of Aimhigher Kent and Medway, said: "We are delighted to have won this national award which not only recognises the perseverance, hard work and well-deserved achievements of young care leaver, Jamie Baker, but reflects the dedication and professionalism of the Aimhigher Kent and Medway Project team.

"After leaving school, prematurely, Jamie enrolled on a course at Thanet College. With the help and support of the Kent and Medway Aimhigher Designated Contact for Young Care Leavers Project, we are thrilled that Jamie is now about to begin the first year of a degree at Winchester University."

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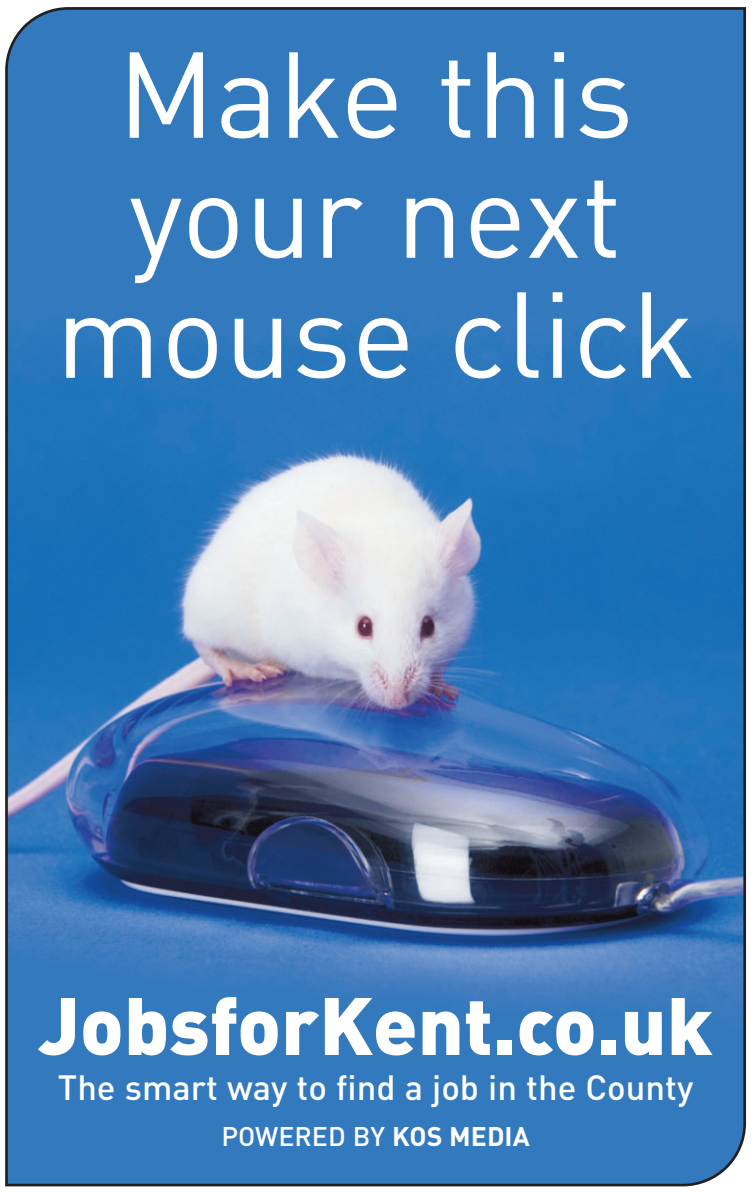

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Closing date: 15 October 2007
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Mrs Jane Heyes, Headteacher
Brompton Westbrook Primary School
Kings Bastion
Brompton
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5DQ
Phone: 01634 844152
Fax - 01634 831762
Email heyej002@medway.org.uk

Burnt Oak Primary School
Year 6
Salary: MPS/UPS
Part Time and Permanent
Required From: As soon as possible
Closing date: 31 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs G Perry, Headteacher,
Burnt Oak Primary School
Cornwall Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 1LP
Telephone - (01634) 852991
Fax - 01634 571283
Email
office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk

Burnt Oak Primary School
Year 4
Salary: Main payscale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 19 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs G Perry, Headteacher
Burnt Oak Primary School
Cornwall Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 1LP
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Fax - 01634 571283
Email
office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk

Hilltop Primary School
(Year 2 in the first instance)
Job Ref: EDS/851
Salary: MPS
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr John Allen, Headteacher
Hilltop Primary School
Hilltop Road
Frindsbury
Rochester
Kent ME2 4QN
Telephone - (01634) 710312
Fax - 01634 294924
Email headteacher@
hilltop.medway.sch.uk

The Pilgrim School
Nursery/Year 2
Salary: Main payscale
Full Time and Temporary
Term of contract: Maternity cover
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 17 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Justin Smith, Headteacher,
The Pilgrim School
Warwick Cresent
Borstal
Rochester
Kent ME1 3LF
Telephone - (01634) 841873
Email
office@pilgrim.medway.sch.uk

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Teacher

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Mathematics (2 posts)
Salary: Main/ Upper payscale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road
Hoo
Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk

Rainham School for Girls
Citizenship and History
Salary: Main Scale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs Jacqueline Dunn, Headteacher
Rainham School for Girls
Derwent Way
Rainham
Gillingham
Kent ME8 0BX
Telephone - (01634) 362746
Fax - 01634 388334
Email admin@rsg.org.uk

The Thomas Aveling School
English
Salary: MPS
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Richard Hart, Headteacher
The Thomas Aveling School
Arethusa Road
Rochester
Kent ME1 2UW
Telephone - (01634) 844809
Fax - 01634 818385
Email office@thomasaveling.co.uk

New Brompton College
Dyslexia Special Needs
Salary: MPS/UPS+ 2 SEN Points
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: As soon as possible
Closing date: 19 November 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email
suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
ICT
Salary: Main payscale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: As soon as possible
Closing date: 17 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr David Kelly, Headteacher
St John Fisher Catholic
Comprehensive School
Ordanance Street, Chatham
Kent ME4 6DP
Telephone - (01634) 842811
Fax - 01634 825915
Email office@
st-johnfisher.medway.sch.uk

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Art
Salary: Main payscale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 22 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road, Hoo
Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk

TLR1

St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Assistant Faculty leader Enterprise
Salary: MPS + TLR 1C (8,405)
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr David Kelly, Headteacher
St John Fisher Catholic
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Ordanance Street
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Kent ME4 6DP
Telephone - (01634) 842811
Fax - 01634 825915
Email office@
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New Brompton College
SENCO
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR1a
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 16 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email: suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

New Brompton College
Subject Leader of Maths
Salary: MPS/UPS TLR1a + £3000 annually
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 19 November 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email
suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

TLR2

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Key Stage Leader - English
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2c (£2,364)
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road, Hoo
Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk

New Brompton College
Business Studies Coordinator
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2C
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 16 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email
suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Key Stage Leader - Maths
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2a (£5,778)
Full Time and Temporary
Term of contract: Maternity cover
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
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Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
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Fax - 01634 254323
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Key Stage Leader - Art
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2c (£2,364)
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 22 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
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the University of Greenwich at Medway

The Marketing Office at the University of Greenwich are looking for enthusiastic individuals who are able to work within a team environment as well as independently. The posts provide the opportunity to learn a wide range of skills and require individuals with good communication and organisational abilities, a flexible approach to work and a collaborative style of working.

MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

Ref: 00857/K3

This is a challenging role in which the postholder will develop the strategic communications strategy across both traditional and new media ensuring consistency and transfer across all utilised media.

They will be responsible for developing the yearly campaign style in collaboration with the internal designers and/or an external agency. They will also be responsible for ensuring that all adverts adhere to the corporate style and are fully proofed prior to placement. In addition the postholder will work with internal clients to create cost effective and innovative communication plans which may include the use of podcasts, vodcasts, digital and referral marketing that can be closely targeted and where possible personalised to the clients market audience.

The post holder will have significant experience in a similar advertising role and will have excellent communication and negotiation skills. The ability to multi-task and work under pressure are also essential skills given the deadline led environment in which they will be operating.

Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum.

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Ref: 00858/K3

The University of Greenwich requires a Graphic Designer to join the current team within the Marketing Office. The applicant will need to be qualified in graphic design to degree level or have equivalent industry experience. The applicant will also need to be conversant with a Macintosh platform OS10 and be able to operate a minimum of Quark Xpress 6.5, CS2 and have pre press experience.

The role will encompass the creation of concepts and the design and layout of the wide range of university publications and marketing materials, whilst working within the corporate style and framework. Experience in the creation of newsletters and magazines is essential.

You should have excellent communication skills as you will be dealing with both internal clients and external suppliers. The work can be deadline led so the ability to work flexibly, under pressure and on your own initiative is also essential.

Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum.

MARKETING OFFICER (TEAM LEADER)

Ref: 00856/K3

We are looking for a Marketing Team Leader to oversee the work of the marketing and web team. This is a varied role and requires a highly experienced marketing individual across both the operational aspects of marketing and team management. The roles within the team include advertising, account management, creation of communication and marketing strategies, web development and research. Excellent communication, negotiation and motivational skills are required for the post, as well as the ability to multi-task and prioritise work. Experience of the educational sector is desirable but not essential.

Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum.

MARKETING OFFICER

Ref: 00855/K3

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to join the busy Marketing Office. You will be the first point of contact for the schools and offices of the university to assist them in developing communications plans to include both traditional and new media, reviewing their markets and advising on appropriate promotional messages and structure of their literature.

The post also requires market research and the use of internal research to develop innovative marketing activities to increase recruitment, conversions and progression to ensure that both the objectives of the marketing strategy and corporate strategy are met. It would be an advantage to have experience of new media and digital marketing, as well as the presentation and the writing of reports. Excellent communication and organisational skills are essential for the role. The role also requires regular travel between campuses.

Salary Scale: £21,682 - £26,666 per annum.

MARKET RESEARCHER/ ANALYST

Ref: 00834/K3

Working to the Marketing Team Leader, the post is central to informing and influencing marketing activities across the university, in what is an increasingly competitive higher education environment. The core function of the role is to analyse and interpret data from across the university. This should be evaluated and produced in user-friendly reports to inform thinking and direction across the university. In addition, you will be required to undertake research across the broader education sector to identify opportunities and monitor developments. The research will be made available through the university's intranet and the postholder will be responsible for its maintenance, although web experience is not required.

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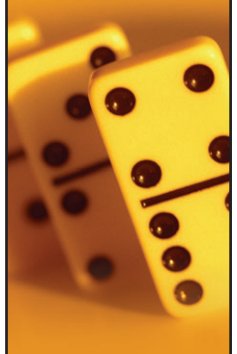

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NOR 1120 (280 in Sixth Form)

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Head: John Hassett MA

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Required for November 2007

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ACCOUNTANCY

JOB TITLE:
Bookkeeper
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Bookkeeper who is conversant with Sage Software. Knowledge of SORP, Charity Commission accounts system preferable. This is also a part time post, max 14 hours per week. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email
trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

ADMINISTRATION, SECRETARIAL, PA

JOB TITLE:
Administrator
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for an Administrator to oversee the running of the estate who will be answerable to the Board of Trustees. This would be a part time post (15 hours, flexible) and may be suitable for someone who is looking to wind down in their career prior to or after agerelated retirement. Knowledge of charity law, Health & Safety regulations, employment law and some understanding of accountancy would be desirable. Please phone or email for further information.
TO APPLY:
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Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email
trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Administrator and PA to Doctor
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Zeetech Services Ltd
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TO APPLY:
Tracy Harley
Zeetech Services Ltd
Email lesley@idealspinecentre.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
24th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Commercial Trainees
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£13-15k
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Due to succession planning, Arriva Southern Counties are able to offer an exceptional opportunity to become a commercial trainee. Training will be provided in the following areas: Planning bus services and timetables Scheduling vehicles and drivers for the various routes Liaising with local authorities Bus Service Tendering Local negotiations with staff and Trade Unions Bus Depot Operations The successful applicant will need to demonstrate that they are literate, numerate and familiar with Microsoft Office. Inreturn, we offer: A Structured One Year Training Programme Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Compant pension scheme
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Examinations Administrator
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
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COMPANY:
Northfleet School for Girls
Northfleet School for Girls is an oversubscribed, happy and dynamic High School situated close to the Bluewater Retail Park. We are seeking to employ an Experienced Examinations Administrator Term time + 5 days per year The post holder will be responsible for the smooth running of all aspects of all in school examinations and the accurate recording of pupil attainment for statutory and in-school assessments. Must be computer literate with a good knowledge of SIMS and Microsoft packages and an ability to communicate and co-operate effectively at all levels, with tact and diplomacy. The position requires a flexible approach to working, the ability to work as part of team as well as under your own initiative and good communication skills at all levels are essential. Full job descriptions available on request. To apply please submit a full C.V. to Personnel Administrator at Northfleet School for Girls, Hall Road, Northfleet, Kent DA11 8AQ Tel: 0844 477 2525) or email personnel@northfleetgirls. kent.sch.uk.
TO APPLY:
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Email personnel@
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CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Reception/ Administrator required for maternity cover
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
£15k pa
COMPANY:
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
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TO APPLY:
Jason Fisher
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Tel: 01892 839950
Email jasonfisher@rowcliffe.co.uk

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT

JOB TITLE:
Head Gardener
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Head Gardener to lead a small team caring for our grounds of approx 38 acres comprising woodland, flower beds and particularly our Memorial Rose Garden. Accommodation may be available. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
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Tel: 01732 843589
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CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

ART AND DESIGN

JOB TITLE:
Graphic Designer
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum
COMPANY:
University of Greenwich
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SALARY:
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COMPANY:
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LOCATION:
Kent
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TO APPLY:
Mr John Christison
Ursuline College
Tel: 01843 834431
Email recruitment@ursuline.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
31st October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Part time Catering Assistants
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£6.18 - £8.05 per hour + shift allowance + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
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TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Part-Time Chefs
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£8.20 - £10.70 per hour + shift allowance + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
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TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

CHILD CARE

JOB TITLE:
After School Club Deputy Supervisor - 17.5 hours per week - Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club, Margate
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£6.50 ph
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club, Salmestone School, Margate Deputy Supervisor – 17.5 hours per week term time only We are looking to recruit a Deputy Supervisor at Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club which is based at Salmestone School, Margate. Qualified to at least level 3 in childcare, you will supervise the running of the holiday club in the absence of the Manager. You should have experience of working with children in a childcare setting, be motivated, enthusiastic and possess a good sense of humour, in order to provide a high quality play environment for children attending the out of school club. You should be experienced in planning and organising staffing schedules, willing to take responsibility in the absence of the supervisor for day to day organisation of the setting, and have a clear understanding of the National Standards for Out of School Care and the KCC Safeguarding Children policy. If you are interested in this role, please contact Carina Harrison, Fuzzy Frogs Manager on 07999592263 You can request an application form and job description from Maria at Thanet Early Years by telephone on 01843 591200 or by email maria@thanetearlyyears.org Interviews to be held in the week commencing 15th October 2007. All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
CLOSING DATE
15/10/07

JOB TITLE:
Junior Crew Leaders
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Live Business Grosvenor Productions
Required for Dover to Calais ferry contract, to run Arts and Crafts based activities for children aged between 5 and 12 years old. Must be able to work every Fri, Sat and Sun from 23rd Nov to 23rd Dec and have own accomodation in the Dover area. Successful candidates will be subject to a CRB disclosure. Please send your CV to Rachel Neary, 6 Square Rigger Row, Plantation Wharf, London, SW11 3TZ.
TO APPLY:
Live Business Grosvenor Productions
Email jobs@livebusiness.co.uk

CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS

JOB TITLE:
A1 Construction Assessors (all trades)
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
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Wendy Snoding
Focus to Work
Tel: 01634 326558
Email
wendy.snoding@focustowork.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Architect Planner
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
John Floydd & Associates
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TO APPLY:
John Floydd
John Floydd & Associates
Tel: 01233 898430
Email mail@johnfloydd.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Floor Layers required
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Avalone Flooring Ltd
Floor layers required for Sheet vinyl, Carpets, Carpet tiles, Woods Laminates etc. For more information contact Mike on 01634 200909. Avalone Flooring Ltd Unit 17K Altbarn Industrial Estate, Revenge Road, Lordswood, Chatham, ME5 8UD Fax: 01634 200912 E-mail: avaloneflooring@aol.com Only experienced people need apply.
TO APPLY:
Mike
Avalone Flooring Ltd
Tel: 01634 200909
Email avaloneflooring@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Maintenance Technician (Builder, bias towards carpentry)
LOCATION:
Hythe
SALARY:
circa £18,300
COMPANY:
Landmarc Support Services Limited
Landmarc Support Services manages all the non-military operations on the MOD's Defence Training Estate, which is used by the Armed Forces to train soldiers to full operational capability. It includes some 120 camps, training areas and ranges spread across 11 regions throughout the UK. Landmarc manages, maintained and operates the whole of the built estate and all training facilities and ranges, including targetry support. The opportunity has arisen for a Maintenance Technician with a solid background in general building, with a bias toward carpentry, to join a well established company in Kent. This post will involve pre-planned and reactive maintenance of the estate and will include a variety of tasks which will vary from day to day depending on the requirements on site at that time. Duties will involve carpentry, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating and general maintenance of the grounds and built estate. You must hold a relevant City & Guilds technical qualification. Authorised Persons (AP)/ Skilled Persons experience would be advantageous. You will ensure the estate is developed and maintained to a high standard in compliance with relevant legislation. The position will involve driving so you must hold a full driving licence. You must be a good communicator with a 'hands on' approach and 'can do' attitude, as you will be working in any area on site so must be able to get on easily with all key stakeholders. We undertake a full range of security checks and in order to meet our requirements you must be resident in this country (UK) for a period of three years. The company benefits include 25 days' annual leave plus 8 Bank Holidays as well as a Contributory Stakeholder Pension.
TO APPLY:
Jennifer Connell
Landmarc Support Services Limited
Tel: 01303 225930
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Technical Assistant – Building Control
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£17,043 - £20,649
COMPANY:
Shepway District Council
An excellent opportunity has arisen to join our Building Control Team. You will report to a Senior Building Control Officer and will be responsible for providing technical and clerical support to the Building Control Surveyors, attaining best possible standards of service delivery and customer care. Key elements of the role include: • validate all building regulation applications, including assessment of fees • administrate street naming and numbering • be responsible for dealing with all queries from the public and external agents on building control issues • maintain and update manual and computer records. In addition we are looking for someone who is proficient in the use of Word, Excel and Outlook, and has a strong customer focus with excellent communication skills. For an informal discussion, please contact Kevin Tomsett or Nick Lewington on 01303 853538. Application details can be downloaded at www.shepway.gov.uk alternatively email jobs@shepway.gov.uk or call our 24 hour answer phone service on (01303) 853481.The closing date for applications is Friday 19 October 2007. Interviews will be held shortly after the closing date.Shepway District Council is an Equal Opportunities Employer and welcomes applications irrespective of race, colour, age, sex or disability.
TO APPLY:
Kevin Tomsett
Shepway District Council
Tel: 01303 853538
Email jobs@shepway.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

CUSTOMER SERVICE, CALL CENTRE

JOB TITLE:
Customer Service/ Internal Sales Assistant
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Undisclosed
A leading UK manufacturer of plumbing industry related products is seeking an internal sales assistant to further customer relationships and maximise sales opportunities. The ideal candidate will have some knowledge of the construction industry and related sectors eg refurbishment and preferably a mechanical bias such as building services installation or maintenance. The job itself requires an enthusiastic motivated individual, who can work with a diverse range of customers the majority of whom are currently UK based. Key tasks will include the following up quotations, handling telephone enquiries, and ongoing maintenance of up to date database records. Essential attributes are a confident telephone manner, numerical accuracy, and attention to detail. The company is offering an attractive salary and a lively working environment to the right individual. Please reply in the first instance to: PO Box 120, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Undisclosed
Email jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Customer Service/ Internal Sales Assistant
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
TBS
COMPANY:
Sarena MFG Ltd
A leading UK manufacturer of plumbing industry related products is seeking an internal sales assistant to further customer relationships and maximise sales opportunities. The ideal candidate will have some knowledge of the construction industry and related sectors eg refurbishment and preferably a mechanical bias such as building services installation or maintenance. The job itself requires an enthusiastic motivated individual, who can work with a diverse range of customers the majority of whom are currently UK based. Key tasks will include the following up quotations, handling telephone enquiries, and ongoing maintenance of up to date database records. Essential attributes are a confident telephone manner, numerical accuracy, and attention to detail. The company is offering an attractive salary and a lively working environment to the right individual. Please reply in the first instance to: PO Box 120, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Sarena MFG Ltd
Email jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk

DOMESTIC

JOB TITLE:
CLEANERS AND SUPERVISORS
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Monitor Cleaning Services Ltd

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Email jobs@monitorservices.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
NIGHT HYGIENE MANAGER
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Monitor Cleaning Services Ltd

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EDUCATION, TEACHER, SCHOOL

JOB TITLE:
Assessor/Internal Verifier in Engineering
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£21,738
COMPANY:
South Kent College
37 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222
(24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Caretaker
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£14,464
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Post Ref: 04/03/KOS Staff Benefits include: Pension and Life Assurance Scheme Close to Town Centre Generous Holiday Allowance Sports Hall and Gym at Canterbury campus Proximity to main bus/train stations Staff Discount Scheme For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
18/10/2007 at 12 noon

JOB TITLE:
Citizenship & History Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
Main Scale
COMPANY:
Rainham School for Girls
Citizenship & History Teacher
TO APPLY:
Jacqueline Dunn
Rainham School for Girls
Tel: 01634 362746
Email admin@rsg.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Curriculum Support Assistant - Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
Starting £18,285 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week, 38 weeks term time, fixed term post to 31 July 2008. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October

JOB TITLE:
Educational Maintenance Allowance Assistant
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £14,464 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week, 40 weeks term time, fixed term post to 31 August 2008. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
EXAMINATIONS & DATA OFFICER
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Equivalent to New Kent Scheme 7 Point 20-24
COMPANY:
Northfleet Technology College
Scale 37 hours per week for 39 weeks per year (38 weeks in term time and 1 week to be worked In August). Are you interested in working at the heart of a rapidly developing school? We require an enthusiastic member of staff to organise the examinations within the school, collate the data relating to the school management system and manage the examination invigilators. The applicant requires good organisational and computer skills, however prior experience is not essential, as training will be given on the relevant SIMS packages. If you think you have the qualities we are looking for, or would like a Job Description, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please apply by sending a letter of application, together with a Curriculum Vitae, to Miss E Stuart, at Northfleet Technology College, Colyer Road, Northfleet Gravesend, Kent DA11 8BG Closing date is . Should you require any further information please contact the school office.
TO APPLY:
Miss E Stuart
Northfleet Technology College
Tel: 01474 533802 Ext 202
Email office@ntc.kent.sch.uk.
CLOSING DATE
Wednesday 24 October, 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Full Time Cover Tutor - East Kent
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
Starting salary £7.14 p/h
COMPANY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Own transport required. To work with students aged 14 - 16 in an Alternative Curriculum setting. Good standard of education essential & experience working with teenagers an advantage although full training provided. Applicants need to be confident, well organised and empathic as some students need additional support. Enhanced CRB will be carried out. Phone our Head Office on 01622 685635 to apply.
TO APPLY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Tel: 01622 685635
Email
threshold.maid@btconnect.com

JOB TITLE:
Full Time Lead Tutor - Dover Centre
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
Starting salary £8.17 p/h
COMPANY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Good standard of education essential & experience working with teenagers an advantage although full training provided. Applicants need to be confident, well organised and empathic as some students need additional support. Enhanced CRB will be carried out. Phone our Head Office on 01622 685635 to apply.
TO APPLY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Tel: 01622 685635
Email
threshold.maid@btconnect.com

JOB TITLE:
Gym Instructor (fixed-term until July 2008)
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£12,378 - £14,354 pro rata
COMPANY:
South Kent College
15 hours per week (split shifts).
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222
(24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Head of Sports Studies/Boys PE Teacher
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
MPG+£2627 (TLR)
COMPANY:
Dane Court Grammar School
Required for September an enthusiastic and well-qualified teacher of Sport Studies at 'A' level and Boys P.E for this popular 11-18 mixed selective school, located in the attractive seaside town of Broadstairs. The school produces teams and individuals performing to County level. Students are enthusiastic about both taught and extra curricular sport. Facilities are good, with superb facilities guaranteed in the next two years through 'Building Schools for the Future'.We are seeking a well qualified graduate to lead an established Sports Studies Department at 'A' level, as well as to teach Boys P.E. throughout the School. Apply as soon as possible by letter and CV. Further details may be obtained from the Headteacher.
TO APPLY:
Mr P J Luxmoore
Dane Court Grammar School
Tel: 01843 864941
Email head@danecourt.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
28 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key Stage Leader - Art
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR2c (£2,364)
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School Main Road Hoo Rochester ME3 9HH
TO APPLY:
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
22 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key Stage Leader - English
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR2c (£2,364)
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Conatct: Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School Main Road Hoo Rochester ME3 9HH
TO APPLY:
Mr Anthony Williams
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key Stage Leader - Maths - Maternity cover
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR2a (£5,778)
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Contact: Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School Main Road Hoo Rochester ME3 9HH
TO APPLY:
Mr Anthony Williams
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Learning Set Assistant
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Salary pro rata to New Kent Scheme 4-5, Range 11-17 (£15,440-£17,842)
COMPANY:
Northfleet Technology College
A Learning Set Assistant is sought to support the day to day running of the school. The initial priority will be covering lessons for absent teachers but other roles include paperwork, filing, marking, displays, collating data, supporting teachers in the classroom, contacting parents etc. You will need to be educated to a good standard of literacy and numeracy at least equivalent to GCSE standard (Grade C or above or proven competence if already employed at the school) and ICT literate in at least Word and Excel packages. Patience, sensitivity and firmness, when necessary, are essential attributes for anybody seeking to work in this field. Please apply in writing, together with your CV, to Mrs Jane Partridge, at the above address or by email.
TO APPLY:
Jane Partridge
Northfleet Technology College
Email office@ntc.kent.sch.uk.
CLOSING DATE
Wed 24 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Learning Support Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £16,284 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week 38 weeks term time. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer - Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£17,729-25,420 pro rata
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Post Ref: 01/83/KOS Staff benefits include: Pension and Life Assurance Scheme Close to town centre Generous Holiday Allowance Sports Hall and Gym at Canterbury campus Proximity to main bus/train stations Staff Discount Scheme For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
18/10/07 at 12 noon

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer in Computing (fixed-term until May 2008)
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Unqualified £16,649 - £20,490 (pro rata) Qualified £21,105 - £25,967(pro rata)
COMPANY:
South Kent College
19.5 hours per week
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222 (24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer in Engineering
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Unqualified £16,649 - £20,490 (pro rata) Qualified £21,105 - £25,967 (pro rata)
COMPANY:
South Kent College
18 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222
(24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer in Motor Vehicle
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Unqualified £16,649 - £20,490 Qualified £21,105 - £25,967
COMPANY:
South Kent College
37 hours per week
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222
(24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk or visit www.southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer Key Skills - Construction
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£17,729-£25,420 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October

JOB TITLE:
Librarian/Multi Media Assistant
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Salary: KS3 (Pt.11) - £5,791.85p.a.(pro rata to £15,449 for a full time employment)
COMPANY:
Oakfield Junior School
Required to work 17 hours per week (11.45am to 3.15pm Monday to Thursday and 11.45am to 2.45pm Friday). We have a multi-media room with books and computers used together to support children's learning. Interviews: Monday 5th November 2007. Apply to:Oakfield Junior School, Oakfield Lane, Dartford, DA1 2SW Tel: 01322 220831 for an application form.
TO APPLY:
Oakfield Junior School
Tel: 01322 220831
Email finance@oakfield-junior.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Maths Subject Lead Learner
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
TLR 2B
COMPANY:
Aylesford School - Sports College
The School is at an exciting time in its growth, as it has recently undergone a complete re-build under the Government's PFI scheme. With brand new, purpose-built facilities, allied to our Specialist Sports College status, the School will provide the successful applicant with the opportunity for personal and professional development. We are seeking to appoint experienced teachers to continue the development of this department within the School. The post holder should be able to motivate colleagues and pupils and take a lead in developing the department under the Sports College Development Plan. To request an information pack and application form, please contact Jill McKenna via e-mail on jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk. The closing date is Tuesday 16th October 2007 3pm. Interviews will be held on Thursday 18th October 2007. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Check via the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Jill McKenna
Aylesford School - Sports College
Tel: 01622 717341
Email
jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
16th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Medway Experienced Teacher Pool
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Paid to Scale
COMPANY:
Medway Council
TO APPLY:
Elaine Hunt
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 332469
Email teaching@medway.gov.uk

JOB TITLE:
New Start Learning Advocates
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£13,528 - £14,354 pro rata
COMPANY:
South Kent College
Term-time only 26 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Department
South Kent College
Tel: 0845 207 8222
(24 hour answer phone)
Email
humanresources@southkent.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
PE Vacancy
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
TBA Maternity Cover
COMPANY:
Ursuline College
We are looking for a full time enthusiastic and dynamic teacher of Physical Education to cover maternity leave from 25th February to 30th June 2008. The successful candidate will be expected to deliver PE lessons across the PE curriculum, some after school netball and rounders, and have an understanding of BTEC level 2 in Sport (GCSE PE would be an advantage but not essential). The successful candiate will join a team of committed specialist teachers in a department which has high expectations of all pupils and offers a wide and varied curriculum. For an application form, please apply to Mr Mervyn Davey at the above address or check out our website.
TO APPLY:
Mervyn Davey
Ursuline College
Tel: 01843 834431
Email recruitment@ursuline.org.uk

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Teachers
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Paid to scale
COMPANY:
Medway Teacher Vacancies
Term of contract: temporary, fixed term and permanent (no daily supply) Teacher Recruitment Team Civic Centre Strood Rochester ME2 4AU
TO APPLY:
Elaine Hunt, Recruitment Assistant
Medway Teacher Vacancies
Tel: 01634 332469
Email teaching@medway.gov.uk

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JOB TITLE:
Registry Team Leader
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£23,536 per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
37 hours per week. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
SENCO Advanced Skills Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR1a
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss
New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 852341
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
16 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Subject Leader of Maths
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS TLR1a + £3000 annually
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
New Brompton College Marlborough Road Gillingham ME7 5HT
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 583509
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 November 2007

JOB TITLE:
Supply Invigilators
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £6.68 per hour
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Various hours available. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - (Year 2 in the first instance)
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Hilltop Primary School
Full Time and Permanent Hilltop Primary School Hilltop Road Frindsbury Rochester ME2 4QN
TO APPLY:
Mr John Allen, Headteacher
Hilltop Primary School
Tel: 01634 710312
Email
headteacher@hilltop.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Dyslexia Special Needs
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS+ 2 SEN Points
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
New Brompton College Marlborough Road Gillingham ME7 5HT
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 583509
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 November 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Foundation/ Keystage 1
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
Main/Upper Scale
COMPANY:
Brompton Westbrook Primary School
Full Time and Permanent. Brompton Westbrook Primary School Kings Bastion Brompton Gillingham ME7 5DQ
TO APPLY:
Mrs Jane Heyes, Headteacher
Brompton Westbrook Primary School
Tel: 01634 844152
Email heyej002@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Key Stage 1
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Barnsole Infant School
Full Time and Temporary Term of contract: Maternity cover Barnsole Infant School Barnsole House Sturdee Avenue Gillingham ME7 2JE
TO APPLY:
Mrs Alison Pullen, Headteacher
Barnsole Infant School
Tel: 01634 852976
Email portc005@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Nursery/ Year 2
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Main payscale
COMPANY:
The Pilgrim School
Full Time and Temporary Term of contract: Maternity cover The Pilgrim School Warwick Cresent Borstal Rochester ME1 3LF
TO APPLY:
Mr Justin Smith, Headteacher,
The Pilgrim School

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Tel: 01634 841873
Email office@pilgrim.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
17 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Year 4
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
Main payscale
COMPANY:
Burnt Oak Primary School
Full Time and Permanent Burnt Oak Primary School Cornwall Road Gillingham ME7 1LP
TO APPLY:
Mrs G Perry, Headteacher
Burnt Oak Primary School
Tel: 01634 852991
Email
office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher - Year 6
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS
COMPANY:
Burnt Oak Primary School
Part Time and Permanent Burnt Oak Primary School Cornwall Road Gillingham ME7 1LP
TO APPLY:
Mrs G Perry, Headteacher,
Burnt Oak Primary School
Tel: 01634 852991
Email
office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
31 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of Art
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Main payscale
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School Main Road Hoo Rochester ME3 9HH
TO APPLY:
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
22 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of English
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Thomas Aveling School
Full Time and Permanent The Thomas Aveling School Arethusa Road Rochester ME1 2UW
TO APPLY:
Mr Richard Hart, Headteacher
Thomas Aveling School
Tel: 01634 844809
Email office@thomasaveling.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of ICT
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main payscale
COMPANY:
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School Ordanance Street Chatham ME4 6DP
TO APPLY:
Mr David Kelly, Headteacher
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 842811
Email office@
st-johnfisher.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
17 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of Mathematics (2 posts)
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Main/ Upper payscale
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Contact: Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School Main Road Hoo Rochester ME3 9HH
TO APPLY:
Mr Anthony Williams
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistant
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ursuline College
Required immediately to support pupils with Special Educational Needs. Applicants must have a genuine concern for young people and should be able to support pupils up to GCSE level. Experience might be an advantage. Flexibility, good communication skills and a sense of humour are essential. For an application form, please apply to Mrs Angela Bamford at the above address or check out our website www.ursuline.org.uk.
TO APPLY:
Angela Bamford
Ursuline College
Email recruitment@ursuline.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistant/Cover Supervisor
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
Kent Scheme Pay Band 5 - £15,880 - £17,842 pa pro rata
COMPANY:
Newington CEP School
For further details please contact Miss Jo Grundy, Deputy Headteacher
TO APPLY:
Miss Jo Grundy
Newington CEP School
Tel: 01795 842300
Email
headteacher@newington.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
12 noon 1st November 2007

JOB TITLE:
TLR1 Assistant Faculty leader Enterprise/ Leading Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS + TLR 1C (8,405)
COMPANY:
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
TO APPLY:
David Kelly
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 842811
Email office@
st-johnfisher.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
15 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Work Based Training Advisor
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £18,285 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
29.6 hours per week. For an application pack, please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 quoting the post reference.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 18 October

ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES

JOB TITLE:
4 x Self Motivated Site Foremen
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
NEGOTIABLE
COMPANY:
Avenue Building Company Ltd
To work within the medical pre-installation field. Must be willing to work away from home. Electrically biased preferable but not essential. These positions could be an ideak career move for the successful applicants.
TO APPLY:
Sue Miller
Avenue Building Company Ltd
Tel: 01622 813331
Email smiller@avenuebuilding.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Concept Developer
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Tilmanstone Salads
Develop and improve receipes, initial costings, background market trends etc. Handover recipes to the factory for future trials. Interact with both the Processing and Procurement teams. Make up samples in the Development Kitchen. Must have attention to detail with good organisational skills, ability to work under their own initiative, set standards and measure against them. Be computer literate. Clean driving licence.
TO APPLY:
Corinna Redsull
Tilmanstone Salads
Tel: 01304 833041
Email
corinna.redsull@bakkavor.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
301007

JOB TITLE:
Engineering Manager - Grays, Essex
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Our Grays Depot operates a mixture of Arriva Commercial and London Bus services, making this a varied and challenging role. The successful candidate will be required to ensure that all repairs and maintenance work are carried out within budget and to the required service levels, to ensure that lost mileage is kept to an absolute minimum. The successful applicant will also be fully responsible for managing and controlling the costs associated with stores and stock, without comprimising the availability of parts for service. You should be able to demonstrate a leadership capability, be able to recognise that the safety of employees and customers comes first, understand planned maintenance and MOT schedules, have an engineering transport background with recognised professional qualifications and be committed to developing yourself and your staff. In return, we offer: Competitive salary and benefits package commensurate with your experience A company car Performance related bonus scheme Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Final salary pension scheme
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

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JOB TITLE:
Field Service Engineer
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
Dependent on experience
COMPANY:
European Postal Systems Ltd
Required for franking machine and mailroom equipment company to service and maintain machines. Covering Kent, Surrey and Sussex. Experience in mailroom equipment industry preferred, training can be given. Good customer relations and of smart appearance essential. Must have clean driving licence. Hours are Monday - Friday 9.00 - 5.00pm Please send CV to European Postal Systems Ltd, Unit D3, Lomer Farm Industrial Estate, Wrotham Road, Meopham, Kent DA13 0AN or email CV to
TO APPLY:
European Postal Systems Ltd
Email
sales@europeanpostalsystems.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Multi-Skilled Engineer
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Tilmanstone Salads
Must Haves: Time served apprenticeship – City and Guilds London Institute – NVQ level 3 The ability to work flexibly within the requirements of the business Role Accountabilities: Comply with Safety, Health and Environment requirements Provide Engineering support to Production to ensure performance of equipment Build a strong working relationship with colleagues and the Production team To maintain accurate and timely records of root causes of failures and work carried out To maintain and develop appropriate skills To plan, control and implement agreed project work Experience Required: Food Manufacturing Environment or Pharmaceutical experience an advantage
TO APPLY:
Corinna Redsull
Tilmanstone Salads
Tel: 01304 833041
Email
corinna.redsull@bakkavor.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
31st October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Skilled Shift Engineers - Maidstone and Gillingham
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£22K + benefits
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
We are seeking a qualified PCV/HGV engineer with a "can do" attitude. The ideal candidate will possesss excellent diagnostic skills and be a good communicator as emphasis on team working will be paramount. Familiarity with Department of Transport Standards would also be desirable. The main focus of the role is to assist in maintaining a mixed vehicle fleet. It is a full time position, includes shift work and will at times require the successful applicant to work unsupervised in maintaining our vehicles to the highest standard of safety and quality In return, we offer: Competitive salary and benefits package Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme Free bus travel for yourself, partner and eligible children
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Stonemason / Granite Fitter
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Henderstone
Working from Coxheath, must be reliable and hard working, good rates of pay for the right candidate.
TO APPLY:
Henderstone
Tel: 07809 827635
Email info@henderstone.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Team Leader
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Tilmanstone Salads
Ideally you will have similar manufacturing experience but more importantly have the skills and attributes to meeting and achieving daily targets. Your role is to ensure that you lead your team in a positive, enthusiatic and motivating manner in a busy environment making instant decsions in respect of people and their performance. Good communication and influencing skills at all levels are paramount to the role to ensure that customer care and quality of product are met. Strong IT skills will assist you in making sure the KPI's are understood and systems are in place to collect the necessary data to measure perfomance against the agreed KPI's.
TO APPLY:
Corinna Redsull
Tilmanstone Salads
Tel: 01304 833041
Email
corinna.redsull@bakkavor.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
31st October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Technical Assistant
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£16k - £18k
COMPANY:
Checkmate Group
Checkmate Safety are designers and manufacturers of height safety equipment based in Sheerness, Kent. We are currently seeking a Technical Assistant to join our highly motivated and innovative design and sales team. You will need to be experienced in 3D CAD, ideally SolidWorks. Please send your CV and covering letter to Technical Manager, Checkmate Safety LLP, New Road, Sheerness, Kent ME12 1PZ.
TO APPLY:
Christine McCarthy
Checkmate Group
Tel: 01795 580333
Email cm@checkmateuk.com

HEALTH & SAFETY, SECURITY, DEFENCE

JOB TITLE:
Range Warden (based at Lydd Ranges, Kent)
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
circa £13,700
COMPANY:
Landmarc Support Services Limited
Make your MARC here! If you enjoy working outdoors unsupervised and can carry out basic repairs (i.e. putting up shelves), using hand/power tools then you could be responsible for operating and maintaining our targets/ranges. You'll need basic Health and Safety knowledge and good communication skills. The ability to travel to other locations and some unsocial hours may be required. We undertake a full range of security checks and in order to meet our requirements you must be resident in this country (UK) for a period of three years. The company benefits include 25 days' annual leave plus 8 Bank Holidays as well as a Contributory Stakeholder Pension. For further information and/or a recruitment pack call Jennifer Connell on 01303 225930. Closing date: 26th October 2007 No employment, recruitment or advertising agencies. Landmarc Support Services Limited is an Equal Opportunities Employer. All applicants will be considered on their suitability for the post irrespective of their sex, age, colour, marital status, race, nationality, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religious beliefs or political opinions.
TO APPLY:
Jennifer Connell
Landmarc Support Services Limited
Tel: 01303 225930
Email tammy,pike@landmarc.mod.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th October 2007

HR, RECRUITMENT

JOB TITLE:
HR Trainer & Officer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£20-25k + benefits
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Reporting to the HR Manager, the successful applicant will be CIPD qualified, preferably with experience in working within a multi-site unionised environment. This is a generalist role and you will be required to: Provide support and guidance on a day to day basis to management on all levels Ensure consistency and best practice across 13 depots Assist managers in disciplinary/grievance/absence matters Advise on HR and Training policies and procedures Maintain good working relationships with the union and other external agencies and relevant professional bodies Manage your own workload and work to tight deadlines In return, we offer: Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme 25 days paid annual leave
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

INDUSTRIAL, WAREHOUSE, FACTORY

JOB TITLE:
Production Operative - Inspection
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£6.58 per hour
COMPANY:
TV One Ltd
We are looking for an experienced electronic Production Operative with a focus towards Inspection. The successful candidate will have a keen eye for detail who takes a pride in their work. A good team player with experience in SMT machine operation and conventional hand assembly. This position also has the potential to advance into QA and Test.
TO APPLY:
Amanda Mallett
TV One Ltd
Tel: 01843 873300
Email recruit.europe@tvone.com

JOB TITLE:
Xmas temps for Warehouse/Production Work
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
£6.05 per hour + O/T
COMPANY:
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Xmas temps for Warehouse/Production work. £6.05 per hour + O/T. Variety of hours available
TO APPLY:
Gemma Bradley
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Tel: 01892 839950
Email
gemmabradley@rowcliffe.co.uk

INFORMATION TECH, INTERNET, TELECOMS

JOB TITLE:
Information Architects
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
Does the idea of working for one of the largest digital marketing agencies in the region, in a position that is not only fulfilling but offers bonuses & benefits as well as an attractive salary, appeal to you? If you feel you have the skills to join a company that is genuinely going places, get in touch now.
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Red Ant
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JOB TITLE:
Internet Professionals
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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JOB TITLE:
IT & Technical Support
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£16,500 - £17,500 dependent on experience & abilities
COMPANY:
TV One Ltd
Good customer skills? Experience of Technical Support? In-House IT maintenance Skills? Position primarily involves supporting our customers with technical support for our range of Audio Visual products via the phone. Product specific training will be given. The role also includes in-house IT support and maintenance. Contact us for further information and an application form.
TO APPLY:
Amanda Mallett
TV One Ltd
Tel: 01843 873300
Email recruit.europe@tvone.com

JOB TITLE:
Usability Experts
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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JOB TITLE:
Web Designers - Middleweight and Senior
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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TO APPLY:
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JOB TITLE:
Web Programmers- Junior Middleweight and Senior
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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LOCATION:
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COMPANY:
John Morley & Co Solicitors
Experienced Full-Time Legal Secretary required to work in busy criminal department, based at our Rainham office. Salary commensurate with experience. Please apply for an application form to: Mr Jeremy J Betts John Morley & Company 29-31 High Street Rainham Kent ME8 7HX
TO APPLY:
Mr Jeremy J Betts
John Morley & Co Solicitors
Tel: 01634 266940
Email criminal@morlaw.com

MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS

JOB TITLE:
Area Travel Shop Manager
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£23k + car option
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
The successful applicant will have day to day management accountability for the operational coverage, development and profitability of the Company's nine Travel Shops located throughout our operating area. Maximising sales of existing product lines, whilst introducing new initiatives to

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improve site profitability, will figure prominently in this challenging role. Applicants will need to demonstrate excellent analytical and communication skills, whilst being able to lead their travel shop teams to deliver excellent customer service and high levels of product awareness. This role is an excellent opportunity for someone who has the vision and expertise to bring our local travel businesses into the 21st century! In return, we offer: Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme 25 days paid annual leave
TO APPLY:
Anne phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Assistant Regional Manager
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£32,000 Kent, Surrey, East & West Sussex – home-based with travel
COMPANY:
JTL Limited
Responsible for the remote management of a sub-team through a range of different communication channels, you'll monitor performance and ensure that we comply with contractual requirements. You'll also support the Regional Manager in the development of successful regional strategies. As well as being educated to NVQ3 level or equivalent, you'll be proficient in IT and have a driving licence and access to a car. For either role, it would be an advantage to have a working knowledge of the contracting and building services industry and experience of work-based learning. In addition to the salary, there is an excellent benefits package that includes a final salary pension scheme and BUPA. So take the next step. Contact our team for an application form by calling 01689 884107 or email hr@jtltraining.com quoting the reference number RM117 for the Manager's role or ARM118 for the Assistant's role. Closing date: 2nd November. Please note: an application form must be completed, we cannot accept CVs. No agencies please.
TO APPLY:
JTL Limited
Tel: 01689 884107
Email hr@jtltraining.com
CLOSING DATE
2 November 2007

JOB TITLE:
Board Member Vacancies
LOCATION:
Whitstable
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Canterbury City Council
Can you help to shape the future of Whitstable Harbour? Appointment of independent board members Whitstable Harbour lies at the heart of the attractive north Kent town of Whitstable, overlooking the Thames Estuary. The Harbour Board was set up by the Council in 2003 to deliver a strategy for developing the harbour as a self-contained operation offering both high quality marine commercial and leisure facilities. The Harbour is a working operation comprising a basin of 0.61 hectares capable of accepting vessels of up to 3,000 tonnes. There are three quays totalling 470 metres in length together with 4 hectares of adjacent land. In 2006/07 the harbour handled over 97,000 tonnes of cargo (mainly aggregates) from 92 ships and it also has an active commercial fishing fleet. In recent years an increasing number of leisure uses have become established to complement the commercial activities and the combination has provided a vibrant focus in the town for both businesses and visitors. For the first time in many years the operation made an overall operational profit in 2006/07. The Harbour Board, which has been acknowledged as a model of best practice, comprises both elected councillors and co-opted independent members. The term of service of two of the co-opted members will finish in January 2008 and applications are invited for replacement members for a term of three years. Applicants must have an interest in public service and be committed to developing the harbour as a financially self-supporting operation while balancing potentially conflicting demands. Proven skills in marine operations, property development or finance will be particularly welcome. There are nine board meetings a year together with occasional working groups as required. Board members receive a modest allowance and appropriate expenses will be reimbursed. We expect to hold interviews in the week commencing 12 November 2007. For further information and application forms contact: Malcolm Burgess, Head of Property Services Canterbury City Council, Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW Phone: 01227 862 096
TO APPLY:
Malcolm Burgess
Canterbury City Council
Tel: 01227 862096
Email
malcolm.burgess@canterbury.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Business Analyst
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£Competitive + excellent benefits package
COMPANY:
Saga
Ambitious? That's you. Keen to learn and build your career with a growing national business. Then here's an outstanding opportunity to join the leading provider of holidays for people aged 50 and over. Educated to A Level standard or equivalent, you'll need to be highly numerate and analytical. That's because you'll be compiling holiday costings and developing pricing proposals. You'll also carry out analyses to make sure that our prices are always competitive. The ability to work to tight deadlines is important, and you must be able to communicate well with a wide range of people. In return, there are excellent training and development opportunities, plus a clear career path to a more senior role. What's more, you'll enjoy superb benefits including private healthcare, pension scheme, an active social club and more. So if you can see yourself as one of tomorrow's high-flyers, please send your CV with a covering letter to Sarah Smith, HR Manager, Saga Group Limited, The Saga Building, Enbrook Park, Folkestone, Kent CT20 3SE.
TO APPLY:
Sarah Smith
Saga
Tel: 01303 771717
Email human.resources@saga.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

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Catering Section Manager – Nights
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£23,700 - £30,900 + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
Join us and we'll offer you real ownership, a 'say' in how the business is run and fantastic benefits, including discounts in Waitrose and John Lewis, pension scheme, free meals on duty and five weeks' holiday (after three years' service). To find out more about becoming a Catering Partner with a different kind of retailer, drop-in to see us at our Open Day anytime between 9am and 6pm, Tuesday 16th October at Beddow Way, Aylesford. If you can't make it to our Open Day, please send your CV to Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Director of Regeneration
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£31,000 to £34,000
COMPANY:
Church in Society
To enable the continued engagement of the Church of England in the regeneration of the Thames Gateway area in the Diocese of Rochester. Application packs available from Church in Society 2-3 Bedford Place Maidstone Kent ME16 8JB
TO APPLY:
Church in Society
Tel: 01622 755014
Email David@churchinsociety.org
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24/10/07

JOB TITLE:
Project Managers
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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JOB TITLE:
Regional Manager
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£38,000 + company car South East – home-based with travel
COMPANY:
JTL Limited
Educated to HNC level or equivalent and with proven managerial ability, you'll monitor the work of our regional team, ensuring that our people are appropriately motivated and trained and deliver a quality service in line with our targets. It's vitally important that we comply with the terms and conditions of appropriate contracts and deliver a high-quality operational strategy. You'll ensure that the regional team is prepared for audits and oversee the negotiation of training provider contracts. Good IT skills and a driving licence are essential. For either role, it would be an advantage to have a working knowledge of the contracting and building services industry and experience of work-based learning. In addition to the salary, there is an excellent benefits package that includes a final salary pension scheme and BUPA. So take the next step. Contact our team for an application form by calling 01689 884107 or email hr@jtltraining.com.
TO APPLY:
JTL Limited
Tel: 01689 884107
Email hr@jtltraining.com
CLOSING DATE
2 November 2007

JOB TITLE:
RMA Qualified Manager
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Bradstowe Lodge
Bradstowe Lodge Care Home requires an RMA Qualified (or working towards) Manager. Previous management experience necessary Salary/hours to be negotiated. Apply with CV to Mr D Bumpstead (Co-ordinator KOPHS Ltd) 22 Victoria Parade, Broadstairs, Kent CT10 1QL.
TO APPLY:
Mr D Bumpstead
Bradstowe Lodge
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 15th October

JOB TITLE:
TEAM MANAGER
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Tilmanstone Salads
Of graduate calibre, you will have demonstrable ability to lead and motivate a manufacturing team across a shift based time span. You will also have the ability to understand the manufacturing process, analyse the inputs and outputs of this process and be able to draw up plans to continuallly improve performance, both in terms of efficiency and quality. You will feel comfortable communicating and influencing at all business levels and be experienced in the application of people policies and procedures. For this role you should have good analytical and numerical capability and strong IT skills would be an advantage. Continually understanding trends, giving clear direction. Personal Characteristics: Analytical, Decisive,Enjoys wokring to KPIs/targets, Works through People, Has strong potential for further career development. Please state your current salary when applying. Full job specification upon request.
TO APPLY:
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Tilmanstone Salads
Tel: 01304 833041
Email
corinna.redsull@bakkavor.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
31st October 2007

MARKETING, ADVERTISING

JOB TITLE:
Market Research Interviewers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£60.65-£66.72 for a 6 hour working day.
COMPANY:
Julie Hart Advertising
• Other benefits: travel allowance and holiday pay. • Flexible work: min. 2 and up to 5 days per week. • No previous experience: full assessment/training given. • No selling: asking people's opinions in their homes. • Good level of spoken and written English required. If you enjoy working on your own, can work after 12.30pm or at weekends, have your own transport and land phone line, and want to find out more, phone us now for a "random panel" information pack quoting your postcode and code no: 6019SC We are an equal opportunity employer.
TO APPLY:
Julie Hart Advertising
Tel: 020 8433 4491
Email J.hart2@btinternet.com

JOB TITLE:
Market Researcher/ Analyst
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Salary Scale: £21,682 - £26,666 per annum.
COMPANY:
University of Greenwich
Working to the Marketing Team Leader, the post is central to informing and influencing marketing activities across the university, in what is an increasingly competitive higher education environment. The core function of the role is to analyse and interpret data from across the university. This should be evaluated and produced in user-friendly reports to inform thinking and direction across the university. In addition, you will be required to undertake research across the broader education sector to identify opportunities and monitor developments. The research will be made available through the university's intranet and the postholder will be responsible for its maintenance, although web experience is not required. We are looking for a self-motivated individual with strong analytical skills who is able to convey information clearly and concisely. To obtain further particulars and an application form visit our website www.gre.ac.uk, email: jobs@gre.ac.uk or write to the Personnel Office, University of Greenwich, Avery Hill Road, London, SE9 2UG quoting the job reference.
TO APPLY:
University of Greenwich
Email jobs@gre.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
5pm 26 october 2007

JOB TITLE:
Marketing Assistant
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572, with progression with contribution related pay £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Working for the Early Years and Childcare Unit, you will assist the Marketing Officer in the development and achievement of the marketing strategy for early years and childcare throughout Kent. You will assist in the production of a newsletter including managing design, proof reading, print and distribution; manage selected suppliers to ensure marketing programmes are delivered on time and to budget; assist in the design and production of advertising and promotional material; implement marketing campaigns, including design, production, mailing, monitoring and measuring and assist in the development of information for the website. Working within this busy marketing environment, you will ideally hold the CIM Diploma in Marketing or similar with a proven track record of delivering effective marketing campaigns. Experience of desktop publishing would be a distinct advantage though not essential. This is a varied and challenging role, which will require you to be a good team player and be able to work on your own initiative. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau. For this post only, for the job description and application form, please contact Emma Hull at Early Years and Childcare Unit, Oakwood House, Maidstone, Kent ME16 8AE, telephone 01622 761050 or email.
TO APPLY:
Emma Hull
Kent County Council
Tel: 01622 761050
Email emma.hull@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Marketing Communications Officer
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum.
COMPANY:
University of Greenwich
This is a challenging role in which the postholder will develop the strategic communications strategy across both traditional and new media ensuring consistency and transfer across all utilised media. They will be responsible for developing the yearly campaign style in collaboration with the internal designers and/or an external agency. They will also be responsible for ensuring that all adverts adhere to the corporate style and are fully proofed prior to placement. In addition the postholder will work with internal clients to create cost effective and innovative communication plans which may include the use of podcasts, vodcasts, digital and referral marketing that can be closely targeted and where possible personalised to the clients market audience. The post holder will have significant experience in a similar advertising role and will have excellent communication and negotiation skills. The ability to multi-task and work under pressure are also essential skills given the deadline led environment in which they will be operating. To obtain further particulars and an application form visit our website www.gre.ac.uk, email: jobs@gre.ac.uk or write to the Personnel Office, University of Greenwich, Avery Hill Road, London, SE9 2UG quoting the job reference.
TO APPLY:
University of Greenwich
Email jobs@gre.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
5pm 26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Marketing Officer
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Salary Scale: £21,682 - £26,666 per annum.
COMPANY:
University of Greenwich
We are looking for a highly motivated individual to join the busy Marketing Office. You will be the first point of contact for the schools and offices of the university to assist them in developing communications plans to include both traditional and new media, reviewing their markets and advising on appropriate promotional messages and structure of their literature. The post also requires market research and the use of internal research to develop innovative marketing activities to increase recruitment, conversions and progression to ensure that both the objectives of the marketing strategy and corporate strategy are met. It would be an advantage to have experience of new media and digital marketing, as well as the presentation and the writing of reports. Excellent communication and organisational skills are essential for the role. The role also requires regular travel between campuses. To obtain further particulars and an application form visit our website www.gre.ac.uk, email: jobs@gre.ac.uk or write to the Personnel Office, University of Greenwich, Avery Hill Road, London, SE9 2UG quoting the job reference.
TO APPLY:
University of Greenwich
Email jobs@gre.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
5pm 26 october 2007

JOB TITLE:
Marketing Officer (Team Leader)
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
Salary Scale: £26,666 - £31,840 per annum.
COMPANY:
University of Greenwich
We are looking for a Marketing Team Leader to oversee the work of the marketing and web team. This is a varied role and requires a highly experienced marketing individual across both the operational aspects of marketing and team management. The roles within the team include advertising, account management, creation of communication and marketing strategies, web development and research. Excellent communication, negotiation and motivational skills are required for the post, as well as the ability to multi-task and prioritise work. Experience of the educational sector is desirable but not essential. To obtain further particulars and an application form visit our website www.gre.ac.uk, email: jobs@gre.ac.uk or write to the Personnel Office, University of Greenwich, Avery Hill Road, London, SE9 2UG quoting the job reference.
TO APPLY:
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JOB TITLE:
SEO and Marketing Gurus
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
Does the idea of working for one of the largest digital marketing agencies in the region, in a position that is not only fulfilling but offers bonuses & benefits as well as an attractive salary, appeal to you? If you feel you have the skills to join a company that is genuinely going places, get in touch now.
TO APPLY:
Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER

JOB TITLE:
Driver - Canterbury, Herne Bay, Thanet, Dover, Folkestone and Ashford
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Stagecoach in East Kent
Would you like a job where no two days are the same? Would you like to work for a highly regarded organisation, whose core values are safety, a progressive attitude and exceeding expectations? Full training given, genuine job security, working for a large professional organisation, friendly supportive team and a competitive package. We currently have vacancies for drivers. If you enjoy meeting people, are safety conscious and have a drivers licence (with a maximum of 3 points), nthis could be your dream job.
TO APPLY:
08702 433711
Stagecoach in East Kent
Email www.stagecoachbus.com

JOB TITLE:
HGV1 & 2 DRIVERS, HGV2+HIAB DRIVERS
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Charles Hewitt Ltd
FULL AND PART-TIME (Weekdays, evenings and weekends) Varied UK delivery work in modern vehicles.Some nights away and regular weekend work. Excellent pay rates. Fork lift experience an advantage but not essential as training will be given.
TO APPLY:
Dave Grummitt
Charles Hewitt Ltd
Tel: (01227) 462485/464386
Email traffic@charleshewitt.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Mechanic
LOCATION:
Bromley
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Elmside Skoda
Due to continued expansion Elmside Skoda are looking to recruit a fully qualified mechanic. The person is required to have approx 5 years experience and would be based in Beckenham. Please send cv and covering letter to Amer Hallaq 35-37 Upper Elmers End Road Beckenham BR3 3QY
TO APPLY:
Amer Hallaq
Elmside Skoda
Tel: 020 8289 1843
Email
amer.hallaq@elmsideskoda.co.uk

NOT FOR PROFIT, CHARITIES

JOB TITLE:
Caretaker/General Duties
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Caretaker/General Duties, may suit active couple. Hours flexible. Accommodation available. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email
trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Warehouse Manager
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Demelza House
Demelza has an expanding number of Charity Shops to raise income to support our vital work for children with life limited conditions. We are opening a Warehouse in Sittingbourne to ensure our donated and new goods are processed to get the optimum and quickest monetary return. Are you experienced in retail, preferably within the charity sector, highly organised with attention to detail, able to keep accurate and clear written records, experienced in distribution of goods, an experienced line manager - able to get the best out of people and use their strength, a first class team player? Operating the Warehouse with volunteers you will work 8.30am – 4.30pm, Monday to Friday;give the drivers the most cost effective route; and ensure each shop has adequate supplies of appropriate stock. Interview date 31st October 2007. For an informal chat please call Claire Jordan on the number below.
TO APPLY:
Claire Jordan
Demelza House
Tel: 01795 845202
Email info@demelza.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

NURSING, MEDICINE, CARE WORK

JOB TITLE:
Enthusiastic staff required
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Future Life Ltd
Full and part time staff required to work within a home for clients with learning disabilities. You will need a friendly approach to support service users within the home and the community. Applicants will have or are working towards NVQ 2. A driving license would be an advantage. Full in house training given.
TO APPLY:
Home Manager
Future Life Ltd
Tel: 01303 259160
Email info@futurelifehomes.com

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JOB TITLE:
Enthusiastic staff required
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Future Life Ltd
Full/part time positions available at our care homes for adults with learning difficulties (Harrietsham, Molash & Folkestone). Will need a friendly approach to support our service users both in the home & community. Applicants will need NVQ2 or working towards, driving licence would be an advantage. In house training given.
TO APPLY:
Future Life Ltd
Tel: 01622 851123
Email info@futurelifehomes.com

JOB TITLE:
Experienced / Qualified Dental Nurse
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Marden Dental Surgery
Experienced / Qualified Dental Nurse required for Immediate Start. Good rates of pay. Please call us or visit our website ww.mardendentalsurgery.com.
TO APPLY:
Nicola Verral
Marden Dental Surgery
Tel: 01622 831556 or 07860 560051
Email
info@mardendentalsurgery.com

JOB TITLE:
Night Care assistant
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
£5.75 wk £6.50 wknds (enhanced for nvq 2)
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
Large friendly, family run,Care Home for the elderly with excellent ratings, require night staff. hours are 9pm to 8am. NVQ 2 qualified £6.25 and £7.00, we also operate a 25p per hour bonus rate after probationary period, conditions apply. CRB check required. In- house training available as well as NVQ's. Come and join our friendly team. Full time or two part time employees required. Holywell Park is in Hodsoll St which lies between Meopham and Wrotham. Please contact for more information and an application form.
TO APPLY:
Debbie or Karen
Holywell Park Ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email holywellpark@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Senior Support Worker
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Alma Lodge
35 Hours a week, CRB required.
TO APPLY:
Nicola or Christine
Alma Lodge
Tel: 01795 669 824
Email
philip.pinagapany@almalodge.biz

JOB TITLE:
Trainee Ambulance Technician
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
up to £25K (including shift allowance)
COMPANY:
South Coast Ambulance Service NHS Trust
On completion of the initial 11 week training course, your total earnings will be Circa £20,000, which includes a shift allowance of up to 25%. Surrey-based staff and Thames Gateway locations in Kent willalso attract a 5% High Cost Area Allowance (min £846). Based: Various Ambulance Stations in Kent, Sussex and Surrey Join our innovative and high performing organisation and embark on an exciting clinical career pathway which could lead to Paramedic status and beyond. You will be part of providing the very best clinical care to the people of Kent, Surrey and Sussex. To succeed in this role, you will have a genuine desire to serve the community and be able to demonstrate excellent communication skills, be customer focused with a caring and sympathetic nature, have the ability to use initiative and apply commonsense and remain calm when under pressure. You will also need as a minimum: • Stable employment and attendance record • Minimum of four GCSE's Grade C or above (or equivalent), including English, Maths and Science • Full, current Driving Licence, held for at least one year, with no more than 3 penalty points. • Physically fit and able to pass an Occupational Specific Fitness Test and Occupational Medical to PCV standards. Our benefits package includes a generous holiday entitlement and membership of the NHS Pension Scheme, free uniform and an excellent support network to include Counselling and Occupational Health Services as an on going commitment to the well being and welfare of our staff.
TO APPLY:
Recruitment Line
South Coast Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Tel: 01737 363529
Email recruitment@secamb.nhs.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th October 2007

PRINT, PACKAGING, DISTRIBUTION

JOB TITLE:
Distributors Wanted
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Deya Ltd
To deliver the new yellow pages a car is required. For more information, details of other work available and to apply online please go to:- www.deya.co.uk/jobs.
TO APPLY:
Deya Ltd
Tel: FREEPHONE 0800 298 7101
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

PUBLIC RELATIONS, MEDIA, JOURNALISM

JOB TITLE:
International Management Trainees
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£30k OTE (Uncapped)
COMPANY:
Meltwater News
Do You Want An International Career? International Management Trainees - Canterbury Meltwater News is one of the fastest growing companies in Europe. Personifying the very essence of drive and ambition, we have seen the rapid growth of 23 offices in Scandinavia, Germany, Australia, United Kingdom and United States within the last 3 years. Encouraging a dynamic and positive working environment, we take great pride in developing people and their careers. We are looking for talented individuals to join our office in Canterbury. With a strong emphasis on sales, you will experience personal and professional growth at a fast pace. If you are the right person, with the right attitude, you will be given the opportunity to flourish within our UK, European, Asian or US Management Program. Does Sydney, Hong Kong or Miami sound appealing? Well pay attention; this is what we are looking for… The Industry: - Fast paced world of online media monitoring The Job: - Business to Business sales - Strategic thinking on individual client needs - Negotiating long term contracts with directors & executives - Developing your own customer portfolio The Preferred Skills & Qualifications: - University degree (any discipline) - Strong communication & relationship building skills - Exceptional interpersonal & analytical skills - Sales experience ideal (not essential) - Excellent level of proficiency in written and spoken English We Are Offering: - Fun work culture - Accelerated promotion program - International career opportunities - £30K OTE (uncapped)
TO APPLY:
Christian
Meltwater News
Email
job.canterbury@meltwaternews.com
CLOSING DATE
15th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Admin/Debt Management Officer
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £13,000 - £16,000 per annum
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Working in a small team, you will provide administrative and financial support services. Duties will include opening the post, data input, filing, the production of standard letters and similar administrative functions. You will have good telephone and customer service skills, a good working knowledge of Microsoft word and excel and some practical administrative experience. The ability to deal with difficult customers and some knowledge of the parking industry would be advantageous. You will be required to attend a short skills assessment as part of the selection process.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Anti Social Behaviour Assistant
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
£18,450 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Fixed term contract until March 2009. We are looking for a committed individual to join our Anti Social Behaviour Group. You will support the Anti Social Behaviour Co-ordinator in the investigation and solution of community safety incidents and complaints – these include playing a central role in case file management investigation, assisting partnership agencies to tackle the fear of anti social behaviour and engaging with communities to resolve incidents of anti social behaviour. This is a high profile and challenging position and you will need to be an excellent communicator with good organisation skills and have the ability to work on your own initiative. You will need good people skills as you will work with local residents and will promote community involvement. Knowledge and relevant experience in the field of community safety, law enforcement work or related professional activity and working in/with the community is essential.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 337000
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Business Studies Coordinator
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR2C
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
New Brompton College Marlborough Road Gillingham ME7 5HT
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 852341
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
16 October 2007

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JOB TITLE:
CCTV Operator
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £13,000 - £14,500 per annum + 7.5% shift allowance
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
We are looking for people to provide high quality, efficient and effective CCTV control services. You will contribute to the achievement of CCTV team objectives which include deterring and detecting crime, increasing personal safety, reducing fear of crime and protecting private and public property. Often working in pressurised situations you will be quick thinking and articulate, with good communication skills. You will also have the ability to work alone or part of a team. Appropriate experience of working in a CCTV control room or previous security surveillance experience is desirable although not essential as training will be provided. You will be required to work within an established shift system which includes some unsocial hours and weekend working.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Contracts Supervisor
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572 with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Due to the retirement of one of our Contract Supervisors, we are now looking to recruit to this post. If you have good working experience in the waste industry and an interest in contract management, then this could be the job for you. Across Kent there are 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres, which are operated by private sector contractors on behalf of KCC. In addition we have a variety of contracts providing a range of Waste Management services. Monitoring and supervising these contracts, you will need to demonstrate that you have experience in operating waste facilities, managing Contractors and resolving performance management issues. You should have good customer care skills in order to deal with enquiries or complaints received from members of the public. To support these skills, you will need to have good administrative abilities, as well as, a good working knowledge of standard Microsoft IT packages. A qualification in Waste Management is essential.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Contracts Supervisor (Projects)
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
Starting salary £22,268,with progression through contribution related pay to £25,521 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
The management of the 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres across Kent is a continuous job. The upgrading of these Centres is important to increase the range of recyclable materials as well as improve layout and ease of use for the people of Kent. It's our aim to increase the amounts of recycling in Kent, and we need good people to assist in making this happen. You will oversee building and civil engineering projects, ranging from repairs and maintenance to full scale refurbishment schemes. In addition, the role would include the supervision of the private sector contractors who deliver waste services on behalf of the Council. With experience in delivering a variety of works from concept to completion, you will have an awareness of the Waste Management industry and be willing to work occasional evenings and weekends. In return for your commitment to our service, we offer a good team to work with, a competitive salary, plus numerous benefits.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Education Welfare Officer
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572 with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Working with schools, families and pupils promoting regular school attendance, you will have the ability to work independently as well as being a good team member and will receive in service training, regular supervision, and team support. The ability to travel is essential as visiting schools and homes are essential to the work. Essential car user allowance is payable.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 22 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Environmental Services - Street Scene Officer x 2
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
£17,136 - £21,426
COMPANY:
Swale Borough Council
We are looking to appoint two Street Scene Officers; one full time (37 hours) and one part time (18.5 hours) working two and a half days per week, to be agreed. The Council have recently appointed new contractors for the key public cleansing functions of recycling, refuse collection, street cleaning and public conveniences. In this year's General Survey public satisfaction with the cleanliness of public spaces has risen from 54% 3 years ago to 70% this year, and the Council's draft Corporate Plan has Creating a Cleaner and Greener Swale as a top objective. The Council have also endorsed Objective 14 of the Kent Agreement for a Clean Kent. This is an area that we have strong ambitions for and if you believe you have the attitude, skills and experience we need, we'd like to hear from you. You will be responsible for street scene standards in the borough and will need to work closely with our contractors and other key stakeholders. You will be based within the Cleansing Team of Environmental Services. We are seeking individuals educated to GCSE standard with 5 A-C passes, a full driving licence, communications and IT skills, but above all a passion for improving Swale's street scene. Previous contract management/monitoring and local government experience is desirable but not necessary. In addition to salary, we can offer you a generous annual leave allowance, paid bank holidays, Local Government final salary pension scheme and flexi-time working. We welcome applications for flexible working arrangements and please indicate on the application form which post you are interested in. For further information contact Human Resources, Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 3HT. Telephone Sittingbourne (01795) 417414 (24 hour voice mail) quoting reference 202ES1.E-Mail: hr@swale.gov.uk Website: http://jobs.swale.gov.uk Interviews: w/c 29 October 2007
TO APPLY:
Swale Borough Council
Tel: 01795 417414
Email hr@swale.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
22 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Helpline and Information Officer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£17,842 with progression through contribution related pay to £19,572 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
You will support carers and parents to access the various sources available, to enable the communication to start and make good relationships flourish. Enthusiastic and resourceful, you will join a team operating a service that provides parents and carers with advice, support and information about children with additional or special educational needs. As an effective communicator, with experience of working in a pressurised environment, you will have the ability to listen and analyse, whilst remaining impartial and non-judgmental at all times. Excellent research and writing skills, and knowledge of MS software is essential. Providing advice, support and information on the phone, face to face and through leaflets, newsletters and bulletins, you must have superb communication and IT skills. An understanding of the issues relating to children and the families of children with special and additional educational needs is also essential. In return, you will receive support, excellent staff benefits and development opportunities.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 22 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
P.E. / Games Subject Leader
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main/Upper Scale + TLR 2C
COMPANY:
Balfour Junior School
TO APPLY:
Paul Bell
Balfour Junior School
Tel: 01634 843833
Email elkig001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
11 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Parking Attendant
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £14,500 - £16,000 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
1 full-time post, 37 hours per week
1 part-time post, 22 hours per week.
You will be responsible for enforcing traffic and parking regulations and issuing Penalty Charge Notices. In addition, your duties will include observing and reporting vehicles without valid vehicle licences (tax), assisting the public with minor enquiries, reporting/checking signs and markings, providing witness statements and liaising with the police. Some administrative work is also involved. You will have good communication skills and the ability to deal calmly and professionally with difficult situations. Previous experience in parking enforcement is desirable, although not essential as full training will be given. This is a uniformed outdoor role which will include working in all weathers. You will be required to work over 7 days, on a rota basis including early starts and late finishes.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
PRISON OFFICERS – Kent & Sussex
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£17,744 - £26,858 (£1,100 local pay allowance for Lewes only)
COMPANY:
HM Prison Service
Every year, many people give up unrewarding jobs and become Prison Officers. There's much more to it than just locking a cell door. A good Prison Officer can help an offender identify opportunities to gain skills and qualifications that will reduce re-offending. We value qualities like understanding, consideration, patience, honesty, reliability and consistency, and for people with those qualities, the Prison Service provides real opportunities to make a difference. What's more, you'll be part of a close-knit team, the prospects for early promotion are superb and you'll learn a whole lot about yourself, too. Visit www.hmprisonservice.gov.uk for more information.
TO APPLY:
HM Prison Service
Tel: 01634 673037
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Senior Practitioner – Specialist Palliative Care
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
£29,859 – £38,310 per annum
COMPANY:
Medway Council
As a senior practitioner working in the Palliative Care Social Work Team, you will be working alongside the team manager at the Wisdom Hospice, Rochester, in developing and delivering best practice in psychosocial care to service users accessing specialist palliative care. You will work in a small team of specialist social workers and counsellors and carry a complex caseload of people affected by serious illness, death and bereavement. Developing services involving service users is a core aspect of this role. As an advocate for service users who are challenged by a range of end of life issues, you will manage complex ethical dilemmas and practice issues in a multi-professional environment. You will need to demonstrate extensive experience in working therapeutically with people affected by loss and bereavement.You must have excellent supervision and presentation skills and be able to facilitate and support good team-working. In a supportive work environment, you will receive excellent supervision and the opportunity to attend relevant external training programmes. A full driver's licence is essential. All applicants must be registered, or in the process of registering with the GSCC. Any offer of appointment will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure. For an informal discussion, please contact Ann McMurray, Social Work Team Manager (Palliative Care) on 01634 830456.
TO APPLY:
Ann McMurray
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 830456
Email jobs@medway.gov.uk
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19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Town Warden
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £14,500 - £18,000 per annum
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Acting as the eyes and ears of the Gravesend Town Centre Team, you will provide the day to day link with a wide variety of business and users of the town centre activities to visitors. You will participate in the practical management of the town centre, ensuring that the cleansing and maintenance is carried out by a dedicated task force and from time to time will undertake minor maintenance tasks. You will also participate in town centre safety and

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TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 337700
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
19 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Trainee CARAT Workers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
Training grant of £618 per month + Travelling expenses
COMPANY:
Rapt
We are recruiting candidates for the next CARAT training course due to start in February 2008. This training is designed for individuals who are highly motivated and enthusiastic about involvement in drug work but have no relevant qualifications or experience. Training is full-time, runs over six months and leads to an NVQ Level 3 qualification in health & social care and accreditation with FDAP. Some candidates may be able to 'fast track' to apprenticeships during the training, subject to progression on the scheme. Interviews for these trainee positions will take place between 29th of October and the 9th of November 2007. If you are interested in any of the advertised positions and would like to receive an application pack, please send an A4 or A5 size SAE for 65p to Mandy Coburn, RAPt, Riverside House, 27-29 Vauxhall Grove, London, SW8 1SY, clearly stating which position you are interested in or download an application pack from www.rapt.org.uk.
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CLOSING DATE
2nd November 2007

JOB TITLE:
Treatment Manager
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
Starting Salary £28,366
COMPANY:
Rapt
We are looking for a Treatment Manager for our primary rehabilitation programme at HMP Swaleside. For this position, you will need experience of working in a primary addiction programme and a thorough knowledge of, and commitment to 12-step drug treatment. A recognised counseling qualification and experience of clinical supervision of others is essential. You will need to be highly motivated, efficient and determined to work in the challenging and environment of a prison If you are interested in any of the advertised positions and would like to receive an application pack, please send an A4 or A5 size SAE for 65p to Mandy Coburn, RAPt, Riverside House, 27-29 Vauxhall Grove, London, SW8 1SY, clearly stating which position you are interested in or download an application pack from www.rapt.org.uk.
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CLOSING DATE
2nd November 2007

RETAIL, WHOLESALE, SALES

JOB TITLE:
Bathroom and Fireplace Consultant
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Morris and Turner
Have you got an interest in selling and natural ability to communicate? We have a vacancy for a Sales Consultant, Full time incl Saturdays. Ongoing product training will be provided to enable you to give the best possible advice needed when offering quality merchandise. You will be working as a member of a team, in which flexibility and customer service are a must and ability is well rewarded. Please send C.V. for the attention of Rob Vennink at Morris and Turner, 4 Third Avenue, Chatham, Kent, ME5 0AD
TO APPLY:
Rob Vennink
Morris and Turner
Tel: 01634 813813
Email rob@morrisandturner.co.uk

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LOCATION:
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Kent
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Fieldsales Account Manager
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Exchange & Mart
Working for a popular hosehold magazine based in one of our regional offices, you will initially be part of a large fieldsales team in a pressurised but lively environment. We can offer an excellent basic salary and uncapped commission. You will undergo an initial 2 weeks intensive training course and one to one coaching throughout your career with us. You will also receive a company car and mobile phone. In addition, the company benefits are an optional Company pension and 25 days annual leave. In return, the right candidate will have at least one yearsd experience within a fieldsales role. They will meet clients face to face, consistently achieve and exceed monthly sales targets, canvass new business daily, build awareness of marketplace knowledge across many industries and develop and increase existing accounts.
TO APPLY:
Lorraine Gardner
Exchange & Mart
Tel: 0208 763 3906
Email
lgardner@exchangeandmart.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
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LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Competitive
COMPANY:
G C Stevens & Son
Garden Machinery and stoves. Working mostly from base. Good Communicating Skills necessary. Some Technical Leaning helpful. Please send C.V. to: Mrs R Stevens, G.C. Stevens & Son, Unit 1, Centre 2000, Sittingbourne, ME10 3DZ.
TO APPLY:
Mrs R Stevens
G C Stevens & Son
Email reine@gcstevens.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Sales Executive and/or trainee Sales Executive
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
OTE £25-35,000
COMPANY:
Robins & Day Maidstone
We are seeking to recruit an additional Sales Executive to our existing team to further strengthen our commitment to delivering a first class service to our customers. Working within our codes of practice the successful candidate must be dynamic, self-motivated and results oriented, possess the drive and determination to succeed in a competitive environment with a 'no compromise' approach to customer satisfaction. You will be responsible for selling new vehicles to new and existing clients and maximising all sales opportunities. In return we offer you an excellent benefits package including use of a company car and fuel allowance. To apply for this position, please forward your current CV with a covering letter to: - Stephen Edwards - New Car Sales Manager, Robins & Day Peugeot, Mill Street, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6YD.
TO APPLY:
Stephen Edwards
Robins & Day Maidstone
Tel: 01622 753333
Email stephen.edwards@
peugeotmail.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
29th October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Telemarketing/Sales Support Assistant
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBC
COMPANY:
Premier Occupational Healthcare
Required for Folkestone We are a dynamic growing Occupational Health company who is looking for a self-motivated, reliable individual with a 'can-do' mentality who would provide efficient and accurate support to the Business Development Consultant and assist in developing the sales and account management of the company. The role involves: • Cold call and make appointments and follow up calls for the Business Development Consultant • Deal with sales enquiries • Building relationships with clients, suppliers and colleagues • Producing mailings and e-mailings using an access database • Maintaining the access database • Producing PowerPoint presentations would be desirable, not essential You will have exceptional IT skills including access, excel, Microsoft office, word and ability to research the internet, ability to multi-task and adapt to change and excellent written English
TO APPLY:
Andrew Llewellyn Davis
Premier Occupational Healthcare
Tel: 01303-298113
Email admin@premierohc.co.uk

TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS, AVIATION

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Drivers/Porters
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Talking Truck Company
We are a specialist transport and delivery company providing our services to the Corporate and Domestic market place in the U.K. and Europe. We are looking for Class 1 HGV and 2 Drivers (Cat C) to work a variety of shifts. For more information and an informal chat contact: Chrissie Richards/Karl Jenkins Tel: 01622 688144 The Talking Truck Company Unit 4 Granville House, Granville Road, Maidstone Kent ME14 2BJ Fax 0870 0271819
Email: enquiries@talkingtruck.co.uk
www.talkingtruck.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Chrissie Richards/Karl Jenkins
Talking Truck Company
Tel: 01622 688144
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JOB TITLE:
Purchasing & Warranty Controller
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
The primary purpose of the position is to assist with the daily warranty control, including assessing warranty claims at company sites, including inspections and testing with main suppliers. Specific responsibilities include: Liaising with suppliers for warranty control Carrying out technical audits on warranty claim items Updating the system with warranty claims and rejections Collating warranty data Producing monthly costing data for period reports Checking and resolving invoice queries, both internally and externally Placing orders with suppliers Chasing delivery on orders placed
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Village Hall Committee has submitted to Shepway District Council – www.Shepway.gov.uk an application to vary the premises licence to sell alcohol (no later than 23:30) at St Marys Bay Village Hall, Jefferstone Lane, Romney Marsh, Kent, TN29 OSA. This application may be inspected at the Council offices during normal office hours. Representations must be in writing and submitted to the Council by 26 October 2007. It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with this application. The maximum fine for this offence is £5000.

LGS.uk - Licensing Agents - www.LGS.uk.com

The Insolvency Act 1986
KENT SUPPLY SERVICES LIMITED
(In Creditors Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number: 05089475
Notice is hereby given that we, Nedim Ailyan and Andrew Ttate both of Abbott Fielding, Nexus House, 2 Cray Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 5DB were appointed Joint Liquidators of the above named company by the members and creditors on 10th October 2007.
N Ailayn and A Tate, Joint Liquidators

The Insolvency Act 1986
JAMES TAYLOR (FLOORING) LIMITED
(Company No: 03671795)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of James Taylor (Flooring) Limited will be held at 22 Laud Street, Croydon, CR0 1SU on Thursday the 1st day of November 2007 at 11.15 am for the purposes provided for in Sections 98, 100 and 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986.
A list of the names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection, free of charge, during business hours on the 30th and 31st days of October 2007 at the offices of BN Jackson Norton, 22 Laud Street, Croydon, CR0 1SU.
The resolutions to be taken at the meeting may include resolutions specifying the terms on which the Liquidator is to be remunerated and reimbursed in respect of his disbursements. Further, the meeting may receive information about, or be called upon to approve, the costs of preparing the Statement of Affairs and convening the meeting. To assist creditors in making an informed decision, a copy of the creditors' guide to Liquidators' fees as detailed in The Association of Business Recovery Professionals (formerly the Society of Practitoners of Insolvency), Statement of Insolvency Practice No.9, is available.
Dated: 4th October 2007
By Order of the Board
J M Taylor, Director

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004
APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS
An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant a renewal of an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-
Name of Premises: **Port Lympne Wild Animal Park and Gardens, Lympne, Nr Hythe**
Applicant: **Susan Piddock**
The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the renewal of the grant of approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.
Martin Alford, Head of Registration
Regulatory Services
First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall
Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004
APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS
Application has been made by **Mr Peter Carroll** to Kent County Council to grant an approval for a ceremony at the following premises:-
Name of Premises: **The Puffins, Peene, Folkestone.**
The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the following address:-
Martin Alford, Head of Registration,
Regulatory Services,
First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall
Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004
APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS
Application has been made by **Ms Susan Lawson** to Kent County Council to grant an approval for a ceremony at the following premises:-
Name of Premises: **The Former Rectory, The Street, Plaxtol, Kent**
The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the following address:-
Martin Alford, Head of Registration,
Regulatory Services,
First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall
Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Application for a new Premises Licence
I, Stephen John Moore of The Source Cafe Bar, Rose Yard, Maidstone, Kent hereby give notice that we have made an application to the Maidstone Borough Council, London House, 5-11 London Road, Maidstone, Kent. ME16 8HR for the grant of a new premises license to permit the following licensable activities;
1. For sale of alcohol by retail,
2. The provision of regulated entertainment
3. The provision of late night refreshment
In respect of the premises situated at Rose Yard, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1HN known by the sign of Source Cafe Bar.
The application can be viewed at the offices of Maidstone Borough Council, London House, 5-11 London Road, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8HR during normal office hours.
Any person wishing to make representation concerning this application should do so in writing to the above local authority and within 28 consecutive days of the submission of the application, that is no later than 2nd November 2007.
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. Any person who makes a false statement is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of £5,000
Stephen Thomas LAW, 8 Grassmere, Leybourne,
West Malling, Kent ME19 5QP
Authorised Agents for and on behalf of the applicants.

LICENSING ACT 2003
Notice of Application for a Premises Licence
Notice is hereby given that Mr B.N. Gilani and Mrs A. Sahadeo have applied to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the grant of a Premises Licence in respect of premises known as the Coffee House, 1 Mount Pleasant Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 1NT.
The applicants seek a Premises Licence in respect of the following:–
1. The sale of bottled and canned beers, alcopops, wine and spirits for consumption on and off the premises between the hours of 6.30am-21.00pm Monday to Sunday inclusive.
2. The provision of background music during permitted hours by various means.
Details of the register of record of the application can be viewed at the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Offices (Licensing Dept), The Town Hall, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 1RS, during normal office hours.
Any representations from interested parties or responsible authorities must be made in writing to the council by 7th November 2007.
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction is a fine not exceeding £5,000.

Highways - District of Thanet

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(HIGH STREET AND MARKET STREET, MARGATE)
(20 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007

Notice is hereby given that the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL proposes to make the above named Orders under section 84(1), (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (hereinafter called "the Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act,

The effect of the proposed Order will introduce a 20 mph speed limit in Margate on the following roads:

High Street	From the junction with New Street to the junction with Market Street
Market Street	For the entire length
Lombard Street	For the entire length
The Parade	For the entire length
Duke Street	For the entire length
Newby's Place	For the entire length

Full details are contained in the draft Order which together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at the Thanet District Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, during normal opening times.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order, you should send the grounds for your objection:

In writing to the Head of Transport Planning, East Kent Area Offices, 2 Beer Cart Lane, Canterbury CT1 2NN by 12 noon on Monday 5 November 2007. By email to kent.highwayservices@kent.gov.uk Or by FAX on 01227 464765.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
TRAFFIC CALMING (HIGH STREET, LOMBARD STREET AND MARKET STREET) MARGATE

The Council of the County of Kent in exercise of their powers under section 90A of the Highways Act 1980, (the "Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with section 90C of the Act hereby give notice that they propose to install the following traffic calming measures in High Street, Lombard Street and Market Street, Margate.

FLAT TOPPED HUMPS

1. HIGH STREET
   (a) from the junction with Market Street for a distance of 10 metres in a southerly direction;
   (b) 60 metres south of the junction with Market Street;
   (c) from the junction with New Street for a distance of 5 metres in a northerly direction.
2. LOMBARD STREET
   (a) from the junction with Hawley Street for a distance of 10 metres;
3. MARKET STREEET
   (a) 7 metres west from the junction with Newby's Place;
   (b) from the junction with Marine Drive for a distance of 22 metres in an easterly direction.

This is to ensure that the speeds of vehicles are kept low in the interest of public safety.

A map containing full details together with a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to implement the measures may be examined at the may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at the Thanet District Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, during normal opening times until noon on 5 November 2007.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, DISTRICT OF THANET)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 5)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 29th October 2007 for an estimated period of 44 weeks or until such works are completed. The initial works will be the pre-patching of damaged carriageway, followed at a later date by surfacing works. Both sets of works will be kept to a minimum period. The Order will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

Schedule

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. D1537 Old Road, Sarre Between its junction with A28 Island Road (north) and its junction with A28 Island Road (south)	1. A28 Island Road, Sarre

Date: 14th October 2007

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, MARGATE)
(ONE WAY STREET AND
PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order that vehicles may only proceed on the length of road specified in Column 1 of Schedule One hereto otherwise than in the direction specified in Column 2 of that Schedule and prohibiting the movement of traffic as described in Column 1 of Schedule Two hereto on the road described in Column 2 into the road described in Column 3 of that Schedule on or after 15th October 2007 for an estimated period of 6 weeks or until such works are complete, or for a period not exceeding 18 months, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

Schedule One
(Temporary One Way Street)

Column 1 Affected length of road	Column 2 Permitted direction for traffic
High Street, Margate From its junction with Churchfields to its junction with Mill Lane	South-east to North-west
Mill Lane, Margate From its junction with High Street to its junction with Churchfields	West to East

Schedule Two
(Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Movement)

Column 1 Banned Movement	Column 2 From (Direction of Traffic on (Road Name))	Column 3 Into (Road Name)
No Left Turn	West-bound on both ends of the service road (Crescent)	High Street
No Left Turn	West-bound on service road (Cul-de-Sac)	High Street

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(HARDRES STREET, RAMSGATE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because electricity supply works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Hardres Street, Ramsgate from the junction with Brunswick Street to the junction with Staffordshire Street on or after 15 October 2007 for an estimated period of one week or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Staffordshire Street, Union Street and Brunswick Street.

Highways – District of Shepway

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(LANSELL COTTAGE BRIDGE KCC No 2766, SNARGATE)
(WEIGHT LIMIT) ORDER 2007.

Notice is hereby given that due to limited structural strength of the bridge KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under sections 1, 2(4) and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The Order prohibits any motor vehicle with a maximum gross (fully laden) weight capable of exceeding 3 tonnes to proceed in the length of the D1455 Short Lane, Snargate from the junction with the B2080 Bowdell Lane (Appledore to Brenzett Road) north eastwards for 25 metres over Lansell Cottage Bridge.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(PATERNOSTERFORD BRIDGE No 706,
ST MARY IN THE MARSH)
(WEIGHT AND WIDTH LIMIT) ORDER 2007.

Notice is hereby given that due to limited structural strength of the bridge KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under sections 1, 2(4) and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The Order prohibits any motor vehicle with a maximum gross (fully laden) weight capable of exceeding 3 tonnes or a width in excess of and including 6'6" to proceed in the length of the D1474 Hope Lane from a point approximately 1100 metres south of the junction with Cockreed Lane for a distance of approximately 50 metres northwards over Paternoster Bridge

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(STONE REACHES BRIDGE KCC No 377, WEST HYTHE/BURMARSH)
(WEIGHT LIMIT) ORDER 2007

Notice is hereby given that due to limited structural strength of the bridge KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under sections 1, 2(4) and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The Order prohibits any motor vehicle with a maximum gross (fully laden) weight capable of exceeding18 tonnes to proceed in the length of the C414 Botolphs Bridge Road from a point 800 metres northwest of the junction with A259 Dymchurch Road for a distance of 30 metres northwestwards across Stone Reaches Bridge.

These Orders were sealed on 8 October 2007 and will come into force on 15 October 2007.

Full details are contained in the Orders which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Orders may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at the Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, during normal opening times.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Orders or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make application to the High Court for this purpose

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, DISTRICT OF SHEPWAY)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 3)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 29th October 2007 for an estimated period of 44 weeks or until such works are completed. The initial works will be the pre-patching of damaged carriageway, followed at a later date by surfacing works. Both sets of works will be kept to a minimum period. The Order will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

Schedule

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. B2075 Romney Road, Lydd Between its junction with A259 Lydd Road and the railway bridge.	1. A259 Lydd Road, High Street (New Romney), Station Road (New Romney), Littlestone Road, Grand Parade (Littlestone), Coast Drive, The Parade, Battery Road, Dungeness Road, Harden Road (Lydd), B7075 Romney Road
2. B2068 Stone Street, Elmsted Between its junction with Misling Lane and its junction with Thorn Lane.	2. Curtis Lane, Bossington Road, Mockbeggar
3. U11668 Gildridge Hill, Stelling Minnis Between Fryarne Park and Elham Park	3. Fryarne Park, Elham Park
4. U11621 Lower Waltham Road, Elmsted Between Duckpit Road and its junction with Dean Hill	4. Dean Hill, B2068 Stone Street, Town Road (Petham), The Street (Petham), Duckpit Road.
5. U11705 Ladwood, Acrise Between its junction with Golden Hill and its junction with Forge Hill.	5. Forge Hill, A260 Canterbury Road, Recce Lane.
6. U11736 Church Hill/ Standen Lane/ Old Hawkinge/ Flegis Court Lane, Hawkinge Between Puddling Lane and St Michael's Church	6. Standen Lane Diversion Standen Lane from its junction with Pudding Lane, Alkham Valley Road, White Horse Hill, Canterbury Road (Hawkinge), The Street (Hawkinge), Cowgate Lane. Church Hill/ Old Hawkinge/ Flegis Court Lane Diversion Alkham Valley Road and then as previous diversion.

Date: 14th October 2007

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(HARBOUR WAY, FOLKESTONE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because gas main replacement works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Harbour Way, Folkestone from the junction with Dover Road to the junction with Radnor Bridge Road on or after 15 October 2007 for an estimated period of five weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Southern Way, Tram Road, Tontine Street and Dover Road.

Highways - Borough of Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(YEOMAN LANE, BEARSTED)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Yeoman Lane outside the Linden Homes development site when required on or after Monday 15th October 2007 at various times for an estimated period of up to1 week within a period of up to 18 months.

The alternative route for the route described above is southbound traffic via The Green, The Street, Roundwell, A20 Ashford Road, Yeoman Lane and for northbound traffic via A20 Ashford Road, The Landway, Hog Hill, Ware Street.

Linden Homes apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for sewer/service connections and junction construction at their development. Should you require any further information about these works, their contacts are Rob Thomas/Mark Smith on 07725 201248/07843 328213.

Highways - Borough of Swale

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(BLIND MARY'S LANE, BREDGAR, SITTINGBOURNE)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Blind Mary's Lane, Bredgar, Sittingbourne outside Cedar Cottage, on or after Monday 29 October August 2007 for an estimated period of 7 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative routes for the route described above are for northbound traffic via The Street, Gore Road, Silver Street and for southbound traffic vice versa.

EDF Energy Limited apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary to allow for a new electrical supply to Cedar Cottage, and should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Mr John Rummery of Murphy Limited on 07920 150 893.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

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THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(BUTLERS HILL, DARGATE)
(ROAD CLOSURE) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that to allow highway work's to take place the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic Butlers Hill, Dargate from its junction with Plumpudding Lane to its junction with Crockham Road on or after 19th October 2007 for a period not exceeding 18 months.

The alternative route for the route described above Crockham Road, Thread Lane, Dawes Road and Dargate Road.

Any person wishing to make enquiries about the proposal is requested to telephone 08458 247 800.

14th October 2007

Highways - Borough of Tunbridge Wells

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROAD'S HORSMONDEN)
(ROAD CLOSURE) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that to allow highway maintenance works to take place the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 19th October 2007 for an estimated period of four weeks or for a period not exceeding 18 months.

The alternative for each route described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in column 2 of that Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

The affected routes	The alternative routes
Phase 1	
Brenchley Road from its junction with Maidstone Road to a point 200 metre north west of its junction with Maidstone Road.	B2162 Maidstone Road, Yew Tree Green Road and Crook Road.
Phase 2	
Lamberhurst Road from its junction with Brenchley Road to a point 50 metre south of its junction with Brenchley Road.	Local Diversion.

Only upon the completion of works in phase 1 will work commence on phase 2.

Advance road works information boards will be placed prior to works commencing on site, giving details as to when works are scheduled to commence and expected duration.

Order will only be effective when the appropriate signs are displayed.

Any person wishing to make enquiries about the proposal is requested to telephone 08458 247 800.

14th October 2007

Highways - Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
HAVELOCK ROAD, TONBRIDGE
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Havelock Road, Tonbridge for its entire length.

The Order will become effective on 15th October 2007, for a period of two weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via: Lodge Road, Houselands Road, Hawden Road, The Avenue.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the installation of high voltage cables for a new electrical supply.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
MILL LANE, HILDENBOROUGH
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Mill Lane, Hildenborough for its entire length.

The Order will become effective on 29th October 2007, for a period of three weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via: Bank Lane, Under River House Road, Riding Lane, B245 London Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate BT access their plant with a cleansing vehicle.

Highways - Borough of Gravesham

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THAMES WAY, NORTHFLEET
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Thames Way at its junction with Vale Road (North) and Vale Road (South).

The Order will become effective on 15th October 2007, for a period of five nights between 18:30 and 06:00, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via:

Traffic turning left onto Vale Road (North) will be diverted via Thames Way, Rosherville roundabout, Dover Road.

Traffic turning right into Vale Road (South) will be diverted via Thames Way, Rosherville roundabout, Dover Road, Dover Road East, Pelham Road South, Perry Street, Vale Road South.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate resurfacing works to be undertaken by Fitzpatrick contractors.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
WHITEPOST LANE, CULVERSTONE, MEOPHAM
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
HE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Whitepost Lane, Meopham between its junctions with Newlands Lane and Petersfield Drive.

The Order will become effective on 15th October 2007, for a period of five weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via: Newlands Lane, Wrotham Road and Whitepost Lane

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate mains laying works and connections on behalf of Southern Water.

Highways - District of Sevenoaks

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
COLLEGE ROAD, HEXTABLE
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on College Road, Hextable between its junctions with Leydenhatch Lane and Dawson Drive.

The Order will become effective on 29th October 2007, for a period of three days, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via: College Road, B258 Main Road and New Barn Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the replacement of BT telegraph poles.

Highways - District of Canterbury

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(MARLEY LANE, KINGSTON)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because telephone pole replacement works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Marley Lane, Kingston from the junction with Jesse's Hill to the junction with The Street on or after 29 October 2007 for an estimated period of five days, between the hours of 9.30am and 4.00pm only, or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Reeds Mill Road, Pheasants Hall Road, Reeds Mill Lane and Marley Lane, and Covet Lane for access to Kingston.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 4)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 29th October 2007 for an estimated period of 44 weeks or until such works are completed. The initial works will be the pre-patching of damaged carriageway, followed at a later date by surfacing works. Both sets of works will be kept to a minimum period. The Order will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

Schedule

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. B2068 Faussett Hill/ Street End, Lower Hardres Between its junction with Bridge Road and the start of high friction surfacing.	1. Light vehicles – Iffin Lane, Merton Lane and Nackington Road. Heavy vehicles B2056 Stone Street, M20, A260, A2, New Dover Road, Old Dover Road, Nackington Road.
2. B2068 Stone Street, Upper Hardres Between its junction with Lime Kiln Lane and its junction with Hogg Lane.	2. Light vehicles – Hogg Lane, Bow Lane, Hardres Court Road, Bossington Road and Curtis Lane. Heavy vehicles – B2058 Stone Street, M20, A260, A2, New Dover Road, Old Dover Road, Nackington Road, Fausett Hill, Stone Street.
3. C585 Bonny Bush Hill, Kingston Between its junction with Green Hills and its junction with Rose Lane.	3. Bonny Bush Hill, A2 (Dover Bound), Barham fly-over, Gravel Castle Hill, Valley Road.
4. U11611 Bow Hill, Upper Hardres Between its junction with Hogg Lane and Hardres Court Road	4. B2068 Stone Street, Curtis Lane, Bossington Road and Hardres Court Road.
5. U11577 Hode Lane, Patrixbourne. Between its junction with Station Road and its junction with New Dover Road.	5. A2050 New Dover Road, A2, Bridge slip road, Bifrons Hill.
6. U11617 Bossington Road, Adisham Between Bossington Farm and its junction with Station Road.	6. Station Rd, B2046 Adisham Rd, Love Lane. No possible diversion for section between the junction with Love Lane and Bossington Farm.
7. U11619 Cooting Lane, Adisham Between Little Cooting Farm and its junction with Station Road.	7. No diversion route.
8. U11623 Church Lane /Chequers Hill, Petham Between its junction with The Street and its junction with Stone Street.	8. B2068 Stone Street, Town Road, The Street.

Date: 14th October 2007

Highways - District of Dover

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, DISTRICT OF DOVER)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 2)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because surfacing works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 29th October 2007 for an estimated period of 44 weeks or until such works are completed.

The initial works will be the pre-patching of damaged carriageway, followed at a later date by surfacing works. Both sets of works will be kept to a minimum period. The Order will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

Schedule

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. B2046 Adisham Road, Aylesham Between its junction with Cooting Road and its junction with Bonnington Road.	1. Light Vehicles – Spinney Lane, Ackholt Road and Bonnington Road. HGV's etc – B2046, A2, A256, A257 and B2046
2. C231 Willow Woods Road, Tilmanstone Between its junction with Waldershare Road and its junction with Roman Road.	2. Roman Road, Homestead Lane, Stoneheap Road.
3. U11884 Stoneheap Bottom Road, East Studdal Between its junction with Downs Road and its junction with Willow Woods Road.	3. Strakers Hill, Willow Woods Road
4. U11937 Pommeys Lane, Ripple Between its junction with Wingleton Lane and Sutton Lane/ Chapel Lane.	4. Wingleton Lane, Vale Road, Sutton Lane
5. U11681 Barfrestone Lane, Barfrestone Between its junction with Barfrestone Road and its junction with Westcourt Downs	5. Barfrestone Road, Church Hill, Shepherdswell Road, Long Lane.
6. Nash Road/ Unnamed Road, Nash Between its junction with Preston Road and its junction with A257 Ash By-Pass	6. Preston Road, A257.
7. U11681 Westcourt Downs, Shepherdswell Between its junction with Westcourt Lane and its junction with Long Lane	7. Westcourt Lane, Eythorne Road, Long Lane.
8. C220 Marshborough Road, Woodnesborough Between its junction with Orchard View, Ash and its junction with Oak Hill, Woodnesborough	8. Foxborough Hill, Statenborough Lane, A256 Sandwich Road, Sandwich Road (Ash), New Street (Ash).

Date: 14th October 2007

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FIRST GEAR

Compiled by Steve Loader

Saab's three-fuel 4x4 formula for success

SAAB is reminding the market of its rallying heritage and attacking Audi with a new all-wheel drive system for Aero flagship versions of the new look Saab 9-3.

In the same way that Audi gained credibility from its quattro four-wheel drive, the Swedish marque hopes Saab XWD will attract similar glamour to its cars.

It is a fair call; the slippery Sports Saloon and Sportwagon profiles of the previous 9-3 justified the labels, but the latest radical facelift has really added to the style and aggression of the cars.

The engine line-up also offers three choices of fuel – petrol, diesel or bioethanol – plus power options ranging from a turbocharged all-aluminium 280bhp 2.8-litre V6 petrol to a twin-stage turbodiesel, the 1.9TTiD, packing 180bhp and arriving early next year.

Saab has become a champion of bio-fuel engines; the UK has lagged behind Scandinavia with this greener low emission fuel, but there are signs of greater acceptance.

Seat's tough guy is the flagship Altea

SEAT makes a new departure next weekend with the showroom launch of the new Altea Freetrack.

Despite the four-wheel drive system, increased ride height and tough-looking styling, this is no off-roader, but more a rugged sporting MPV or people carrier.

In the Seat tradition, there will be plenty of power; two models are offered, the 2.0-litre TSI petrol and 2.0-litre TDI diesel, priced at £20,495 and £21,395 respectively.

The pair become the new flagships of the Altea range and feature a multimedia system with roof-mounted seven-inch screen that can link to a DVD player, video games, a laptop computer and even an MP3 player.

Further standard kit includes: dual-zone climate control, rain sensor wipers, parking sensors, cruise control, CD/MP3 stereo with steering-wheel mounted controls and rear door window blinds.

The VW-owned Spanish marque is on a roll at present, after celebrating its best-ever registration-change September and volumes are nearly seven per cent up against 2006.

• ***See Steve Loader road testing Seat's 'super Cupra' at Motors TV at www.carsforkent.co.uk.***

All-new Impreza

SUBARU has pepped up the launch phase of its all-new Impreza, by unveiling the future performance flagship WRX STI, due next March.

Big blistered wheel arches give the WRX STI an aggressive ground-hugging stance and highlight its position as the halo model for the whole Impreza line-up, already available in turbocharged WRX 2.5 and naturally-aspirated 1.5 and 2.0-litre forms.

All, of course, feature Subaru's trademark flat 'boxer' engine and 4x4 combination.

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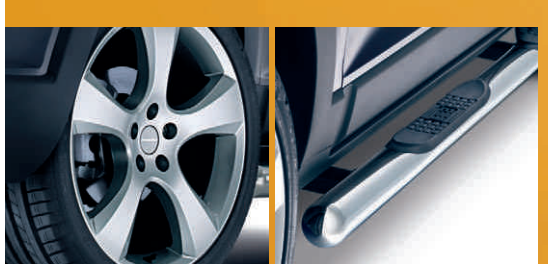

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by STEVELOADER

Bravo steps up the pace of Fiat revival

FIAT really took a chance with Bravo as the name for its latest Ford Focus challenger.

For a start, the Italian word stands for 'congratulations' or 'smart', so Fiat was riding for a fall if the car was a donkey.

It already knew what that felt like, having used the name before in the same sector as one half of a double-act that flopped miserably and was succeeded by the equally woeful Stilo.

Talk about pressure…

Fortunately, Fiat has made it third time lucky in this key sector and maintained a revival begun by the Panda city car and latest Punto.

The Bravo is 'smart' inside and out and the car's sharp lines really grab attention; styling was completed in record time in-house, but there is more than a hint of Alfa Romeo about the wide and low-slung stance.

Once hooked by that and some aggressive pricing, would-be buyers should then be susceptible to a quality interior that mocks those of its predecessors.

The standard of the dashboard and materials is impressive, there are abundant stowage bins and cubbies and even a locker beneath the front passenger seat.

Certain models also come with a refrigerated compartment in the front armrest.

But it is not so much how the interior looks and works, but more the culture change that it represents; you used to feel that Fiat interiors were thrown together in a spirit of 'it'll be alright on the night' or whatever they say at the opera house.

The Bravo, on the other hand, shows much thought has gone into making sure the interior functions.

Having sorted out the cosmetics – and boosted the marque's reliability in recent years – the Bravo's chassis and mechanicals show there was not much else wrong at Fiat.

The engine line-up is impressive, including superb diesels – an area that has boosted Fiat's standing significantly. Unusually for current times though, the limelight has fallen on the petrol options and especially the turbocharged 1.4 T-Jet unit.

Along with VW, Fiat sees a bright future for small capacity turbocharged petrol engines that sip fuel most of the time, punch above their weight when extra pace is required and have lower emissions.

Our test car was the 1.4 T-Jet in high spec Dynamic trim with the higher capacity 150bhp version of the engine – a 120bhp unit is also offered.

The engine mostly revs beautifully although the turbocharger can be a little jerky and it makes this car quite a flier, helped by a well-sorted chassis set up more for sporty handling in the best Italian tradition than a cosseting ride.

It is tempting to imagine what a sporting Abarth hot hatchback version would be like.

Bravo – the Fiat revival roars on.

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DrivingStats

- Fiat Bravo 1.4 T-Jet 150 Dynamic £13,995.
- Range: £10,995-15,495.
- Garage stats: 4.33m by 1.79m five-door hatchback.
- Powertrain: 1,368cc/150bhp four-cylinder turbocharged petrol engine driving front wheels through a six-speed manual gearbox.
- Performance: top speed 131mph and 0-62mph in 8.5 seconds.
- How green?: category-E and 167g/km CO2 emissions.
- Official fuel figures: combined 39.8mpg.
- Euro NCAP safety rating (0-5 stars): *****
- Fuel tank: 58 litres/12.8gallons.
- Insurance group: 10.
- Warranty: three years/60,000 miles.
- Website: www.fiat.co.uk
- Rivals: Alfa Romeo 147, Audi A3, BMW 1-Series, Citroën C4, Ford Focus, Honda Civic, Hyundai i30, Kia Ceed, Mazda3, Peugeot 308, Renault Megane, Seat Leon, Skoda Octavia, Toyota Auris, Vauxhall Astra, VW Golf, Volvo S40.

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DrivingReview

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Mercedes E-Class

MIGHTY Mercedes built its post-war reputation pretty much on one car – the E-Class.

Never mind the brand's expansive modern-day range that includes everything from the A-Class mini-MPV to the Herculean S-Class and features the high profile C-Class compact executive model.

Just accept that the success of the E-Class and its predecessors – the company's management level saloon and estate range – made all these other models possible.

The 'E's credentials have been simple: rugged build, space, thoughtful and practical design, easy-driving and the cachet of that three-pointed star.

Increasingly the model has also shed workmanlike styling to acquire an elegance highlighted by the latest generation car launched in 2002.

Unfortunately, even as this new range was cutting more of a dash, whispers suggested the legendary quality and reliability was not as it used to be.

A once rock-solid and hard won E-Class reputation was under threat, until Mercedes seemed to retrieve the situation with a radical facelift in 2006.

The revamp introduced some new engines too, but the car's market sector is tougher too; Audi's latest A6 is far better than before, while BMW's 5-series might not be a looker, but still claims the 'driver's choice' title.

Then again, neither matches the sense of well-being in the E-Class.

If you have slogged up the corporate rock-face, but now waft to the office in this, then you may feel it was all worth it.

That star on the bonnet adds to the warm glow as you cruise effortlessly and quietly along the motorway in an airy and classy cabin, with decent room for four to travel in great comfort plus ample boot space for their luggage.

The dashboard layout follows the corporate norm: understated and well-arranged, although you yearn perhaps for a little more flair and harmony.

Fit and finish is, of course, exemplary – and should be for a car that starts from nearly £28,000.

Unlike German rivals mentioned earlier, the big Merc also concentrates on delivering a fine ride, though the rear-wheel drive chassis is still well balanced for quicker driving on more challenging roads.

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E320CDI Sport fitted with a creamy seven-speed auto 'box as standard and effective paddle shifts on the wheel for rapid manual gear selection.

The feature also allows the driver to enjoy a surprisingly agile chassis, though our car was assisted by optional air suspension that adjusts itself to the driving situation at an additional cost of £1,265 and the loss of 10 litres of boot space.

And while the big diesel has the power to add to a good drive, it will not cane you at the pumps; Mercedes reckons it has wrung up to 26 per cent more power from the whole E-Class engine line-up without increasing fuel consumption and the 320CDI can average nearly 40mpg.

The popular E220 diesel option can ease the conscience even more, with a projected average of nearly 45mpg and Mercedes has added to the temptation recently with a keenly priced, well-equipped special edition aimed at corporate 'user choosers'.

The E-Class Executive (£28,515) costs £677 less than the E220 CDI Classic on which it is based, yet its enhanced specification is worth an additional £2,543 – saving £3,220 over the standard car.

With mobile phone pre-wiring allowing phone use controlled via steering wheel controls, a six-disc CD changer with MP3 compatibility, 16-inch seven-spoke alloys and a raft of other add-ons, it looks just the deal to reaffirm the desirability of the E-Class at management level.

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DrivingStats

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- Range: £27,800-67,600.
- Garage stats: 4.86m by 1.82m four-door saloon.
- Powertrain: 2,987cc/224bhp V6 turbodiesel driving rear wheels through a seven-speed auto gearbox.
- Performance: top speed 155mph and 0-62mph in 6.8 seconds.
- How green?: category-F and 202g per km CO2 emissions.
- Official fuel figures: combined 38.7mpg.
- Euro NCAP safety rating (0-5 stars): *****
- Fuel tank: 65 litres/14.2 gallons.
- Insurance group: 17D.
- Warranty: three years/unlimited miles.
- Website: www.mercedes-benz.co.uk
- Rivals: Audi A6, BMW 5-Series, Chrysler 300C, Citroën C6, Honda Legend, Jaguar S-Type, Lexus GS, Saab 9-5, Vauxhall Signum and Volvo S80.

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YEAR	REG	MODEL	ENGINE	DOORS	COLOUR	MILEAGE	£
CORSA							
2002	52	Corsa Sxi A/c	1.2	5	Flame red	54,000	£4,495
2004	04*	Corsa Energy CDTi	1.3D	3	Flame red	68,750	£4,495
2006	56	Corsa Design	1.2	3	Silver	2,250	£7,295
2006	56	Corsa Sxi + CDTi	1.3D	3	Ultra blue	5,550	£8,495
2006	56	Corsa Active	1.2	3	Silver	2,100	£7,695
2006	56	Corsa Sxi+ A/c	1.2	3	Flame red	3,750	£7,695
2007	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	5	Black sapphire	3,310	£7,995
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Star silver	2,080	£7,695
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Ultra blue	5,500	£7,495
2006	56	Corsa Design	1.2	3	Star silver	6,200	£7,295
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Ultra blue	4,200	£7,495
2007	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Silver lightening	3,250	£7,795
VECTRA							
2004	54	Vectra Design Auto	2.2	5	Pannacotta	43,200	£7,150
2004	04	Vectra Sri	2.2	5	Star silver	51,40	£6,995
2005	55	Vectra Breeze Estate	1.8	5	Black	12,450	£8,995
2007	07	Vectra Exclusiv	1.8	5	Ultra blue	2,500	£10,995
2007	07	Vectra CDTi Exclusiv Est	1.9	5	Metro blue	12,050	£13,995
SIGNUM							
2005	55	Signum Elite CDTi	3.0D	5	Misty grey	25,500	£12,995
2007	07	Signum Design CDTi Auto	1.9D	5	Pannacotta	6,350	£17,495
ASTRA							
1999	T*	Astra Estate Ls Auto	1.6	5	Carridge green	48,700	£2,850
2000	W*	Astra Club Auto	1.6	5	Star silver	36,100	£3,295
2001	Y*	Astra Club 16v	1.6	5	Mirage	57,800	£3,695
2003	03*	Astra Active	1.6	5	Flame red	76,300	£3,695
2004	04	Astra Sport	1.6	3	Silver	42,000	£5,495
2005	54	New Astra Club CDTi	1.7D	5	Silver	35,250	£7,995
2005	05	New Astra Estate Design	1.8	5	Breeze blue	33,700	£8,995
2006	06	New Astra Design Auto Est	1.9	5	Silver lightening	5,500	£12,995
2006	56	New Astra Club CDTi	1.7D	5	Star silver	8450	£9,995
2007	07	New Astra Sxi	1.6	3	Star silver	7,700	£10,995
2007	07	New Astra Energy Auto	1.8	5	Star silver	7,100	£10,995
2007	07	New Astra Sri (150ps)	1.9D	3	Flame red	5,400	£17,995
MERIVA							
2004	04	Meriva Design MTA	1.8	5	Ultra blue	35,000	£6,995
2004	04	Meriva Energy	1.6	5	Energy blue	26,575	£6,250
ZAFIRA							
2006	06	Zafira Design CDTi Auto	1.9D	5	Black sapphire	16,890	£13,995
2007	07	Zafira Design CDTi (150ps)	1.9D	5	Silver lightening	4,450	£15,495
2007	07	Zafira Sri CDTi (150ps)	1.9D	5	Moonland	6,400	£16,495

YEAR	REG	MODEL	ENGINE	DOORS	COLOUR	MILEAGE	£
OTHER MAKES							
2001	51*	Ford Focus CDTi Lx	1.8	5	Dark metallic blue	55,750	£4,495
2002	52*	Ford Mondeo TDi Zetec	2.0	5	Metallic blue	90,500	£4,150
2005	05*	Renault Laguna Extreme	1.8	5	Silver	21,500	£5,995
DUE SOON							
1999	T*	Corsa Club	1.2	5	Star silver	67,000	£2,395
2003	03	Corsa Active	1.3D	3	Ultra blue	29,000	£4,495
2003	53	Corsa Active	1.0	3	Flame red	20,000	£4,995
2005	05	Corsa Energy	1.0	5	Flame red	13,000	£5,695
2005	55	Corsa Life	1.0	3	Star silver	2,000	£5,150
2005	55	Corsa Sxi+	1.4	3	Silver lightening	20,000	£6,695
2006	06	Corsa Active	1.2	3	Ultra blue	16,500	£6,295
2005	54	Meriva Breeze CDTi	1.7D	5	Silver lightening	38,000	£7,495
2004	54	Zafira Energy	1.6	5	Energy blue	26,000	£7,295
2004	54*	Astra Enjoy CDTi	1.7D	5	Ultra blue	59,000	£5,495
2006	56	Vectra Exclusive	1.8	5	Star silver	9,000	£8,995
2003	54	Signum Elegance Auto	2.2	5	Star silver	33,000	£7,995
2005	55	Signum Exclusive	2.2	5	Grey	30,000	£9,995
COMMERCIALS							
2007	07	Vivaro	2.5 D SWB		White	9,400	£11,495+VAT
2007	07	Combo	1.3 CDTi		Silver	Delivery	£8995+VAT
2007	07	Combo	1.3CDTi		White	13,600	£7,995+VAT
2007	07	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	Delivery	£8995+VAT
2006	56	Movano	2.5 CDTi LWB		Silver	Delivery	£15,195+VAT
2006	56	Movano	2.5MWB		White	16,200	£11,995+VAT
PRE REG VEHICLES							
2007	07	Corsavan	1.3 CDTi		White	Delivery	£7,995+VAT
2006	56	Astravan	CDTi Club		White	Delivery	£8995+VAT
2007	07	Combo	1.3D Crew van		White	Delivery	£8,995+VAT
2007	07	Combo	1.3D Crew van		White	Delivery	£8,995+VAT
2007	07	Movano	2.5LWB		Silver	Delivery	£15,995+VAT
USED SELECTION							
2004	54	Astravan	Envoy CDTi		White	23,600	£5,995+VAT
2006	56	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	9,800	£7,695+VAT
2006	56	Combo	1.3 CDTi		White	10,260	£7695+VAT
2006	56	Vivaro	1.9D CDTi		Red	12,000	£11,995+VAT
2006	56	Vivaro	1.9D CDTi		Red	20,000	£11,995+VAT
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2007	1 1.2 12v	FLAMENCO RED	£8,990.00	£2,697.00	£174.81	0% APR
2007	1 1.2 12v	SATIN GREY	£8,990.00	£2,697.00	£174.81	0% APR
2007	1 1.4 TDI	DIAMOND SILVER	£10,490.00	£3,147.00	£203.97	0% APR
2007	1 1.4 TD	BLACK MAGIC	£10,490.00	£3,147.00	£203.97	0% APR
2007	2 1.2 12v	DIAMOND SILVER	£9,490.00	£2,847.00	£184.53	0% APR
2007	2 1.2 12	TANGERINE ORANGE	£9,490.00	£2,847.00	£184.53	0% APR
2007	3 1.4 TDI	BLACK MAGIC	£10,990.00	£3,297.00	£213.69	0% APR
FABIA ESTATE						
2007	BOHEMIA 1.2 12v	SATIN GREY	£8,990.00	£2,697.00	£174.81	0% APR
ROOMSTER MPV						
2007	1 1.4 16v	DIAMOND SILVER	£10,990.00	£3,297.00	£213.69	0% APR
2007	2 1.4 16v	STORM BLUE	£10,490.00	£3,147.00	£203.97	0% APR
2007	2 1.6 16v	ANTHRACITE GREY	£10,990.00	£3,297.00	£213.69	0% APR
2007	2 1.6 16v	OCEAN BLUE	£11,490.00	£3,447.00	£223.42	0% APR
2007	2 1.6 16v AUTO	FLAMENCO RED	£10,990.00	£3,297.00	£213.69	0% APR
2007	3 1.4 16v	OCEAN BLUE	£11,490.00	£3,447.00	£223.42	0% APR
OCTAVIA HATCH						
2007	CLASSIC 1.9 TDI	CANDY WHITE	£11,990.00	£3,597.00	£233.14	0% APR
2007	AMBIENTE 2.0 FSI	SATIN GREY	£12,490.00	£3,747.00	£242.86	0% APR
2007	AMBIENTE 1.9 TDI	STORM BLUE	£12,490.00	£3,747.00	£242.86	0% APR
2007	AMBIENTE 2.0 TDI	STORM BLUE	£14,490.00	£4,347.00	£281.75	0% APR
2007	VRS 2.0 FSI	CORRIDA RED	£15,490.00	£4,647.00	£301.19	0% APR
2007	VRS 2.0 TDI	RACE BLUE	£17,490.00	£5,247.00	£340.08	0% APR
OCTAVIA ESTATE						
2007	AMBIENTE 2.0 FSI	CAPPUCCINO BEIGE	£13,990.00	£4,197.00	£272.03	0% APR
2007	L&K 2.0 FSI AUTO	DIAMOND SILVER	£15,990.00	£4,797.00	£310.92	0% APR
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FABIA HATCH						
2007	1 1.2 6v	CORRIDA RED	£7,990.00	£2,397.00	£155.36	0% APR
2007	1 1.2 12v	FLAMENCO RED	£8,990.00	£2,697.00	£174.81	0% APR
2007	1 1.2 12v	TANGERINE ORANGE	£8,990.00	£2,697.00	£174.81	0% APR
2007	1 1.4 TDI	SATIN GREY	£10,490.00	£3,147.00	£203.97	0% APR
2007	2 1.2 12v	FLAMENCO RED	£9,990.00	£2,997.00	£194.25	0% APR
2007	2 1.2 12v	HIGHLAND GREEN	£9,990.00	£2,997.00	£194.25	0% APR
2007	2 1.2 12v	CAPPUCCINO BEIGE	£9,990.00	£2,997.00	£194.25	0% APR
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2007	2 1.6 16v	ANTHRACITE GREY	£12,290.00	£3,687.00	£238.97	0% APR
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OCTAVIA HATCH						
2007	CLASSIC 1.4 16v	DYNAMIC BLUE	£10,990.00	£3,297.00	£213.69	0% APR
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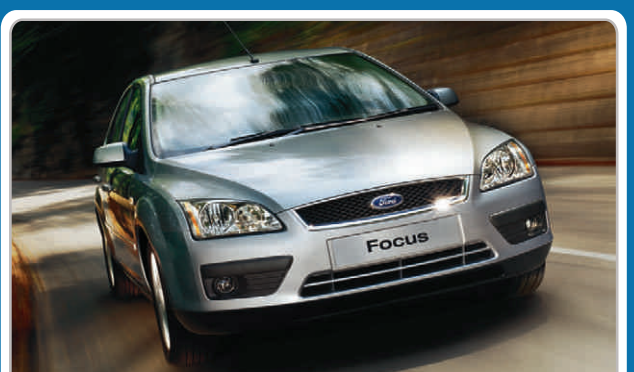

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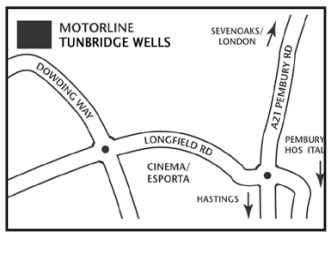

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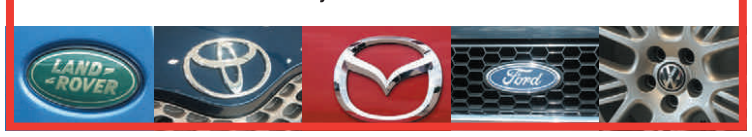

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COUPE, Se 2.0, 2005, blue, 6190 miles, £11495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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COUPE, S 1.6, 2006, silver, 65 miles, £11995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.3 Gsi, 2003, seaside blue, 30000 miles, £3295, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

KIA

CARENS, Lx 1.8, 2003, black, 42881 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

CERATO, 1.6 LX, 2006, insurance group 7 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment, ebony black, 6000 miles, £7995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

CERATO, 1.5 CRDi LX, 2005, insurance group 7 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment, blue, 2509 miles, £5995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

MAGENTIS, 2.0 LS Tip Automatic, 2006, insurance group 14 abs alloy wheels body coloured bumpers climate control drivers airbag front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment traction control trip computer, deep ocean blue, miles, £11495, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

PICANTO, 1.1 LX Automatic, 2006, insurance group 3 abs air conditioning alarm body coloured bumpers drivers airbag remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment, scarlet red, 148 miles, £6995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

PICANTO, 1.1 LX, 2007, insurance group 3 abs air conditioning body coloured bumpers central locking passenger airbag power steering radio/cd steering wheel rake adjustment, liquid silver, 500 miles, £5995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

SEDONA, 2.9 LS, 2006, abs air conditioning alloy wheels drivers airbag passenger airbag electric mirrors front electric windows immobiliser power steering remote central locking radio/cd body coloured bumper, black, 8000 miles, £14995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

SORENTO, 2.5 CRDi XS Automatic Diesel, £22995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

LAND ROVER

FREELANDER, 2004, insurance group 10 abs air conditioning alloy wheels radio/cd service history, rosso red, 8000 miles, £9493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

FREELANDER, 2005, a/con alloys cd s/roof pas, grey, 20678 miles, £11495, WJ King Vauxhall, Gravesend, 01474 565656 (TRADE)

MERCEDES-BENZ

A CLASS, A140 Classic SE, 2004, insurance group 5 abs air conditioning alarm body coloured bumpers drivers airbag front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors star silver, 35000 miles, £6000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

MG

MGF, VVC, 1996, fabulous car with service history, all mot documents proving genuine mileage. superb condition for year and very well maintained. lady owner who haS regularly valeted this car, new soft top, hard top, must be seen to appreciate the unique condition of this car. british racing green, 52000 miles, £2600, 01227 744415 (PRIVATE)

ZS, + 1.8, 2002, silver, 41124 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MINI

COOPER, 1.6 3dr, 2002, 1.6 3 dr hatch, silver, 30729 miles, £8495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

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COLT, 1.3 Elegance Automatic, 2005, abs air conditioning alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electric door mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights half leather seats heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, steel grey, 950 miles, £7750, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.1 CZ1, 2006, abs body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, lunar silver, v3500 miles, £5995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0 208 6587122 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.3 CZ2, 2006, abs air conditioning alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, lunar silver, 12000 miles, £6499, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.5 Sport, 2004, black, miles, £6995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.3 Equippe, 2005, abs air conditioning alloy wheels body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cassette remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, lunar silver, miles, £5995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

SHOGUN, 3.2 DI-D Elegance (LWB) Automatic Diesel, 2006, abs alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers central locking climate control cruise control drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors electric sunroof electrically adjustable passenger seat folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors heated front seat height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cassette radio/cd multichanger rear electric windows remote central locking roof rails satellite navigation side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment traction control trip computer, black, 2500 miles, £23965, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

SPACE STAR, 2004, abs air conditioning alloy wheels body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors front electric windows front fog lights height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, haag silver, miles, £5995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

SPACE STAR, 2004, abs air conditioning alloy wheels body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors front electric windows front fog lights height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, haag silver, 32000 miles, £4999, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

WARRIOR, Shogun Sport 2.5 TD, 2003, silver, 35840 miles, £10995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

NISSAN

ALMERA, 2004, pas c/lock e/wind cd, black, 27650 miles, £4995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

MICRA, 1.0 S 3dr Auto (2000 - 2002), 04/04/2003, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, grey, 5195 miles, £4699, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MICRA, S 1.2 Automatic, 2004, coral blue, 13700 miles, £5995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

MICRA, 1.2 SE Automatic, 2004, techno grey, 22500 miles, £6495, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

NAVARA, 2005, abs air conditioning alloy wheels cd player central locking clock coloured bumpers driver airbag driver seat height adjustment electric front windows exterior mirror electric exterior temperature fog lamp four wheel drive gear box knob leather passenger airbag power steering radio rear window heated revolution counter third brake light tiltable steering wheel, silver, 14401 miles, £12995, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

PRIMERA, Sport Plus 2.0, 2001, black, 36771 miles, £3495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

PRIMERA, 2004, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, green metallic, 20395 miles, £6995, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

PRIMERA, Profile 1.6, 1999, blue, 97780 miles, £1495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

PEUGEOT

206, 2003, a/con e/wind c/lock pas, silver, 56900 miles, £4795, WJ King Vauxhall, Dartford, 01322 227581 (TRADE)

206, 1.1 S 5dr, 2004, 1.1 s 5dr hatch, silver blue, 13127 miles, £5795, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

206, CC SE, 2001, silver, 32000 miles, £5995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

206, 2004, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, aegean blue, 25932 miles, £9995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

206, CC 1.6 i6v3dr, 2002, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, artic blue, 32000 miles, £7495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

206, Lx 1.4, 2001, red, 49738 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

206, 2006, a/con pas c/lock e/wind cd, onyx black, 5955 miles, £7995, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

206, 2003, a/con cd c/lock e/wind pas, china blue, 28924 miles, £4995, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

207, 2006, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, iron grey, 4505 miles, £9495, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

307, 2006, climate alloys leather cd, neysha blue, 15177 miles, £15995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

307, S, 2004, gold, 20923 miles, £6495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

307, 2004, a/con pas c/lock e/wind cd, aluminium, 29252 miles, £7995, WJ King Vauxhall, Swanley, 01322 662890 (TRADE)

RENAULT

CLIO, Expression 1.2 3DR, 2005, trim: cloth engine size: 1200 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, mercury, 17100 miles, £5995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Expression 1.2 5dr, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1200 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, monaco blue, 6500 miles, £7995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Expression 1.4 5DR, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, tempest, 11000 miles, £7995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, 2006 Dynamique 1.5 86 5dr, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1500 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, platinum silver, 23500 miles, £8495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Dynamique 1.4 3dr, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, pearl black, 14106 miles, £7995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Dynamique 1.2 3drR, 2005, trim: cloth engine size: 1200 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, pearl black, 36600 miles, £5995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Expression 1.4 5dr, 2003, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, hologram grey, 15628 miles, £4995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Dynamique 1.2 3drR, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1200 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, pearl black, 30619 miles, £5995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, Expression 1.4 5drR, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, pearl black, 15000 miles, £7295, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, 16v, 1993, blue, 125200 miles, £800, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

CLIO, 1.2 Extreme 3, 2004, orange metallic, 43000 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

KANGOO, Expression 1.2 16v, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1200 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, sapphire blue, 23871 miles, £5995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

KANGOO, Authentique 1.6 Auto 2005, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: automatic no. of doors: 5, mercury, 8950 miles, £7495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

KANGOO, SL17 DCI 70+, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1500 transmission: manual no. of doors: 4, glacier white, 48000 miles, £4605, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

KANGOO, SL17 DCI 70+, 2005, trim: cloth engine size: 1500 transmission: manual no. of doors: 4, glacier white, 19750 miles, £5495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

LAGUNA, 1.8 16V Dynamique Auto, 2002, insurance group 9 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors electric sunroof front fog lights immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment trip computer, star silver, 31000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

LAGUNA, 2003, a/con alloys cd pas, blue metallic, 51204 miles, £4995, WJ KIng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

MEGANE, Sport Dynamique 1.6, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, mercury, 20500 miles, £6695, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

MEGANE, Dynamique 1.5dci 106, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1500 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, extreme blue, 14000 miles, £10995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Oasis 1.6vvt 16V, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, mercury, 13200 miles, £8995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Grand Dynamique 1.6, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, ink blue, 17500 miles, £8995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Dynamique 1.4vvt 16V, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, mercury, 10115 miles, £8995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, 2006, a/con cd s/roof c/lock e/wind, red metallic, 8912 miles, £10495, WJ KIng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Expression 1.6 Auto, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, storm blue, 14350 miles, £7495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Dynamique 1.6 Auto, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: automatic no. of doors: 5, antinque green, 10106 miles, £8995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Dynamique 1.6, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, storm blue, 7000 miles, £9495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Authentique 1.4 16v, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1400 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, hessian, 16900 miles, £5995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, Dynamique 1.9 DCI 120, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1900 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, red, 17650 miles, £7995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

ROVER

METRO, CD, 95, service history verifies the miles for this good runner, red, £49500, 01233660254 (PRIVATE)

200, 214 Si 16V, 1999, insurance group 6 1 registered keeper central locking remote central locking front electric windows sunroof power steering drivers airbag immobiliser, flame red, 46000 miles, £1693, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

25, II 1.4, 2002, blue, 46439 miles, £2995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

25, II 1.4, 2000, green, 25820 miles, £2995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

25, 1.6 iL, 2002, insurance group 7 abs alarm audio remote control body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors electric sunroof folding rear seats front electric windows height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser power steering radio/cassette remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, star silver, 56000 miles, £3000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

400, 416i, 1998, insurance group 11 2 owners central locking remote central locking front electric windows sunroof power steering drivers airbag alarm immobiliser, tropical blue, 68000 miles, £1793, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

45, Club V6, 2000, blue, 96000 miles, £2495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

45, Impression 2, 2002, silver, 50627 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

45, Impression 2, 2002, silver, 41896 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

75, 2.0 CDti Classic SVE, 2005, grey, 36000 miles, £7995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

SKODA

FABIA, 1.4 Classic 5dr Estate 1397cc, gj02uwa, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver and passenger air bags, manual door mirrors, immobiliser, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cassette, rear wash wipe, rev counter and split rear seat. 12 months used vehicle warranty. dynamic blue, 36168 miles, £4990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

FABIA, 1.2 HTP 12v (64 bhp) Classic Hatchback 5d 1198cc, gk04buh, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver and passenger air bags, manual door mirrors, immobiliser, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cassette, rear wash wipe, rev counter and split rear seat. one previouS registered keeper. 12 months used vehicle warranty. stone grey metallic, 21669 miles, £5990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

FABIA, 1.9 vRS TDI PD Hatchback 5d 1871cc, gj54ssu, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver and passenger air bags, air-conditioning, alarm, 16in alloy wheels, single cd player, remote central door locking, computer, electric/heated door mirrors, front electric windows, immobiliser, front fog lights, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cd, rear wash wipe, rev counter, split rear seat, tinted glass and traction control system. 12 months used vehicle warranty. black magic metallic, 24235 miles, £9990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

FABIA, 1.4 16v (100bhp) Elegance Hatchback 5d 1390cc, gl05kkn, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, 14in alloy wheels, remote central door locking, computer, electric/heated door mirrors, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cd, rear wash wipe, rev counter. manufacturers warranty until 15/06/2008 or 60, 000 miles, which ever is the sooner. diamond silver metallic, £8490, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

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FABIA, 1.9 vRS TDI PD Hatchback 5d 1871cc, gl06ugv, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver and passenger air bags, air-conditioning, alarm, 16in alloy wheels, single cd player, remote central door locking, computer, electric/heated door mirrors, front electric windows, immobiliser, front fog lights, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cd, rear wash wipe, rev counter, split rear seat, tinted glass and traction control system. one previouS registered keeper. remainder of 3 years/60, 000 mile manufacturers warranty. corrida red, 11207 miles, £10990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

SUZUKI

SWIFT, Gls 1.0, 2001, red, 54181 miles, £1995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

SWIFT, 1.0 GLS, 1998, insurance group 4 2 owners, apple green, 48000 miles, £1493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

WAGON, 1999, cd c/lock e/wind pas, green, 52700 miles, £2995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

WAGON R, 1.3 GL 5dr, 2004, 1.3 gl 5dr + estate, silver, 9218 miles, £4495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

TOYOTA

TOYOTA HI ACE 280 gs d4d, 09 2006, 2.5 td 88 swb white 21.000 miles fsh rear ttial gate, £9250, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

TOYOTA HI ACE lwb, 08 1997, 2.4 d white mot sep 2008 no vat, 0 miles, £2995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

TOYOTA HI ACE lwb d4d, 01 2006, 2.5 td met silver 20.000 miles fsh liner rear tialgate, £9495, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

COROLLA, 2004, a/con alloys cd s/roof c/lock, metallic silver, 29960 miles, £8995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

COROLLA, Vvti 1.4, 2000, red, 80121 miles, £2995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

COROLLA, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, black, 11329 miles, £9995, WJ King Vauxhall, Swanley, 01322 662890 (TRADE)

RAV 4, Nrg 2.0, 2003, blue, 49944 miles, £7995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

YARIS, 2006, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, black, 7300 miles, £8295, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

YARIS, 2003, a/con alloys cd s/roof c/lock, silver, 8208 miles, £5995, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

VAUXHALL

ASTRA, Bertone 2.2, 2001, silver, 36365 miles, £7995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2007, power roof alloys alarm a/con, power red, 0 miles, £17495, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2007, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, black sapphire, 6791 miles, £12695, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2004, star silver, 36114 miles, £7495, WJ King Vauxhall, Swanley, 01322 662890 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2006, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, star silver, 8713 miles, £11795, WJ King Vauxhall, Gravesend, 01474 565656 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2004, a/con alloys c/lock e/wind, blue, 30125 miles, £9995, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2003, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, star silver, 36684 miles, £4795, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, europa blue, 23195 miles, £10995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2007, 19in alloys keyless a/con cd, black sapphire, 0 miles, £17495, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2006, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock, silver, 13574 miles, £9495, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2003, abs air conditioning cd player central locking clock coloured bumpers driver airbag exterior temperature fog lamp passenger airbag power steering radio rear window heated revolution counter third brake light tiltable steering wheel wiper rear window, silver, 31178 miles, £5995, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

CORSA, 2004, abs air conditioning alloy wheels cd player central locking clock coloured bumpers driver airbag driver seat height adjustment exterior mirrors electric exterior temperature fog lamp leather steering wheel passenger airbag power steering radio rear window heated revolution counter steering wheel with radio control third brake light tiltable steering wheel wiper rear window, blue, 20324 miles, £6495, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

CORSA, 2003, satin red, 50343 miles, £4995, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

CORSA, 2001, s/roof c/lock pas, blue, 49000 miles, £3995, WJ King Vauxhall, Dartford, 01322 227581 (TRADE)

CORSA, 2005, alloys cd e/wind c/lock pas, scarab, 29000 miles, £6695, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

CORSA, 2003, alloys cd s/roof c/lock e/wind, black, 41941 miles, £5295, WJ King Vauxhall, Gravesend, 01474 565656 (TRADE)

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POLO, S 1.2, 2003, silver, 23059 miles, £5795, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

SHARAN, 1.9 TDi S 7 seat, 1998, insurance group 11 2 owners service history central locking front electric windows air conditioning power steering drivers airbag alarm immobiliser, midnight blue, 79000 miles, £3493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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Panel van demand signals underlying economic health

ECONOMIC gurus might say UK growth is slowing but the demand for panel vans – a good fiscal barometer – shows no sign of slowing.

And market watchers at Glass's Guide – the motor trade's 'bible' – say the used sector is particularly buoyant and set to continue.

The guide's chief commercial vehicle editor George Alexander said: "With such a healthy backdrop for panel vans, just about every van range is achieving its best-ever used price performance.

"Late-year Mercedes-Benz Sprinters and Volkswagen Crafters and LTs continue to sit at the top of trade buyers' 'most wanted' list, which to a large extent is driven by very limited supply of popular used stock."

Alexander's overview of other van sectors is:

Supermini derived vans such as the Renault Clio, Ford Fiesta, Peugeot 206 and Vauxhall Corsa have held their value well, unless hit by a major release of stock onto the market.

Late-year, low mileage Vauxhall Astra Envoys are in plentiful supply and the best attract good prices, but lower-specced Astravans go for knock down prices when the well-equipped Sportive model is available.

Renault Kangoos are cheap, with values driven down by fantastic deals on new models equipped with air con and sat nav.

Late-year Vauxhall Combos with side loading doors are less cheap then they were, especially good examples with common-rail diesels.

A plentiful supply of Ford Connects is creating some bargains – especially T200 models without a side-loading door.

By contrast, high prices for the sought after VW Caddy TDi reflect a shortage.

POPULAR: Panel vans like the Mercedes-Benz Vito are in great demand new and used

Volkswagen vans hit 60

VW is celebrating 60 years of van production and a cavalcade of vehicles in Hanover attracted 71,000 people from all over Europe, including the UK. It involved 5,000 Transporter vans and campers – from the original 'split-screen' T1 to today's fifth-generation models.

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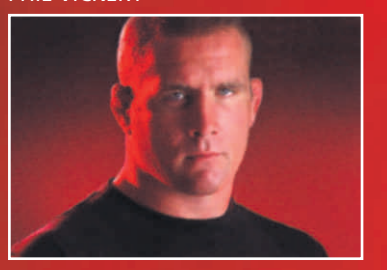

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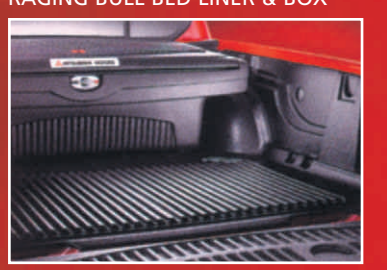

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Victory in drive for economy

A DRIVERS' advisory body manager put his reputation on the line and came up trumps in an economy marathon.

Drive & Survive marketing manager Steve Johnson and co-driver Tina Ries of Fleet World magazine, achieved the lowest fuel consumption in the van section of the two-day long 330-mile 2007 MPG Marathon in South West England.

Fleet World spokesman Ross Durkin said: "Steve and Tina achieved a highly creditable 55.04 mpg in the Vito 109 CDi.

"This is the highest figure we have recorded in any MPG Marathon for a panel van. Even more impressive by the fact the vans run the whole event with half their gross payload on board."

Mr Johnson said: "It was a case of putting into practice the sort of defensive driving techniques we routinely deliver to our corporate customers every working day of the week.

"It's important to have a light right foot but anticipation and observation are also crucial. I was trying to minimise the variation in our pace as much as possible by planning our progress well ahead and maintaining 100 per cent concentration.

"The fewer peaks and troughs in your journey, the better the fuel consumption will be."

Twenty road users a week are killed in incidents involving 'at-work drivers'.

Driving is officially the most dangerous activity in the UK workplace.

September Citroën spree

CITROEN had its best-ever month for LCV (light commercial vehicle) sales in the UK in September.

At 4,198 vehicles, they were up 6.1 per cent against the previous record month of March this year.

It was helped by the all-new Dispatch and Relay (pictured), but underpinned by the latest Berlingo hi-cube range; the overall performance allowed Citroen to take 8.71 per cent of the LCV market in September.

Big pick-up in L200 sales

MITSUBISHI takes the credit for the growth of the pick-up market in the UK.

Its big-selling L200 (above) caught the eye with sharp custom options, a range of different combinations of powertrain and cab, as did the sought-after Warrior flagship.

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Indian summer forecast helps sustain bike sales

MOTORCYCLE registrations have defied a poor summer and gloom about the economy by running at 7.4 per cent above where they were this time in 2006.

According to the figures from the manufacturers' and trade body, the Motor Cycle Industry Association, even the moped and scooter sectors are 3.7 and 7.4 per cent ahead – a healthy sign of new recruits to two-wheeled transport.

But the biggest growth came from the rugged Adventure Sport sector with a whopping 41 per cent rise, probably helped by interest in the long distance biking exploits of actors Ewan MacGregor and Charley Boorman, who recently completed their second adventure, 'Long Way Down'.

MCI spokesman Craig Carey-Clinch said: "The healthier new motorcycle market reaffirms that people have a real interest in motorcycling and want to enjoy the many benefits of riding on two wheels.

The possibility of an 'Indian Summer' also seems to have inspired people to buy later in the year, as the summer storms have disappeared.

"Interest rate rises and the recent money market credit crisis have challenged household budgets and consumer confidence, but it seems that people are increasingly identifying motorcycles as a cost effective form of transport, that also opens up wider leisure opportunities."

He added that changes to the riding test after October 2008 also seemed to be driving more people to take their test early and buy learner-legal bikes.

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Superbike hits street

YAMAHA is offering a range of deals on the highly-successful YZF-R1 – the 2007 World Superbike winning machine.

The performances of Noriyuki Haga and Troy Corsa on the YZF-R1 guided the Japanese maker to this year's manufacturer's championship by a 28-point margin, with Haga runner-up in the race for the riders' title.

Suzuki offering a sound investment

BUYERS of a new Suzuki GSX-R1000 K7 now have an even greater reason to choose the UK's best selling bike so far in 2007.

Suzuki is offering to throw in an Arrow Titanium exhaust silencer – as used by Suzuki World Superbike team members Max Biaggi and Yukio Kagayama – for an additional £300 and saving £370, to give riders the true race look and soundtrack.

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Retirement options for you

MANY Kent workers have no interest in retiring at 65 according to a new report.

The survey from the CBI and Watson Wyatt found 22 per cent of staff approaching retirement asked for it to be postponed.

Companies granted almost 72 per cent of these requests.

CBI South East regional director Malcolm Hyde said: "It is encouraging that the new right to request postponed retirement seems to be working well, and both employers and staff value this flexibility.

"Firms want to retain employee skills and experience, while staff can enjoy a phased retirement, or can continue working flexibly to boost retirement savings.

"However, this early success is founded on the company's ability to have a final say on an individual's retirement date."

More companies are starting to offer a range of options to workers approaching retirement, including continuing both full and part time. As the options increase, it's expected more people will want to take advantage of them.

The survey found 44 per cent of firms allowed its staff to continue working while drawing a pension, which is up from only 24 per cent last year.

Some 21 per cent of employers allowed phased retirement, a five per cent increase on last year.

BUSINESSES which fancy a Titanic Christmas party may find Brands Hatch has all the answers.

The famous race track is offering local companies the chance to treat employees to something different this festive season, with a Titanic-themed party starting at £41 per person setting sail from November 30.

Each party offers guests first-class treatment in the unusual and luxurious surrounding of the 'grandest ship in the world'.

Brands Hatch parties suit every type of business. For large companies, the venue is available to hire for up to 400 guests, while smaller firms may prefer to take advantage of the 'join a party' nights and book a table of 10 among other businesses.

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Keeping things close to home

By **CHRIS MURPHY**

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KENT businesses may be missing out on easy market expansion simply because they want to stay loyal to their customers in the county.

A survey from Business Link found many were avoiding improving their bottom line just by ignoring markets a little further afield.

The research found 79 per cent of local companies do business within the county, with 60 per cent saying Kent is their main market.

Only 30 per cent have any dealings with London, only 15 per cent are involved in any kind of export activity and just one per cent view other countries in the European Union as the primary outlet for their goods and services.

"Focusing on a local market can be good business practice," said Business Link's business services manager Deryck Banks.

"It can help keep costs down, saves on unnecessary travelling and is good in terms of reducing environmental impacts.

"And in Kent, which is a large county with a strong identity, it is not surprising that so many companies like to do work close to home.

"Kent also has particular geographic constraints. With water to the north and east, local businesses have limited options when it comes to finding new domestic markets.

Technology

"Our research shows that many local companies find traffic congestion to be an issue and this may well be discouraging them from doing business in areas to the south and west that are accessed from the M25 as well as in those areas of London that are not easily reached by road or rail from Kent."

But while doing business with companies close by can be easier, a little effort can overcome the constraints of looking far and wide.

Mr Banks said: "Better use of technology, for example, is one of the ways to service customers in the UK without having to get in the car and battle your way around London, but Kent businesses really ought to be examining whether they can exploit the unique advantage they enjoy of being so close to mainland Europe.

"Belgium and the Netherlands are both good markets for UK businesses with English widely spoken in commercial life and are as easy to get to as many destinations west of London.

"France can be a tougher nut to crack but Business Link has a programme, run by a French national, that has had a lot of success in helping Kent companies of all sizes to win new business in France.

"Broadening horizons, developing a customer base and diversifying the markets are things that all companies should consider as part of a planned business programme."

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Award winning is a science

A COMPANY that supplies highly skilled laboratory scientists to outside companies has won a major European award.

Synergy took the 'Most Innovative Relationship' award at the European Outsourcing Awards, at a lavish ceremony in Milan.

The Beckenham-based company was nominated for three of the prestigious Outsourcing Awards.

The Kent firm fought off stiff competition to take the coveted award from a host of other European outsource specialists.

Roger Granville, business consultant for Synergy Outsourcing said: "We are delighted that the European Outsourcing Awards committee has recognised the innovation of our business model.

"Winning this award will encourage us to make an even greater success of Synergy.

"I would like to thank everyone at Synergy for their excellent daily contributions.

"Without their hard work and commitment, we would not have received this accolade."

Synergy provides teams of scientists for laboratory services in companies that require specialists.

WINNERS: Roger Granville receives award for Synergy Outsourcing

Clients include some of the UK's leading pharmaceutical companies, in which the teams are installed to perform laboratory work alongside clients' permanent staff.

Simon Ackroyd, operations director at Synergy, added: "At the core of the Synergy teams are locally employed scientist from the Kent area.

"We're proud to have so many local specialists in our teams."

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ASP about your pension options before choosing

THE public's confidence in saving within a pension for retirement has been dented over the years by several mis-selling scandals and more recently by the losses incurred by workers in company schemes that cannot meet their liabilities.

By **Liz Rule**
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There was some good news in 2006 when one of the major barriers to pension investment, the enforced purchase of an annuity at age 75 seemed to have disappeared with the introduction of the Alternatively Secured Pension (ASP).

The good news was short lived however, as the Revenue changed their minds and at the last minute and slapped some huge tax penalties on ASP funds on the death of the member and their dependents. The tax charges of up to 70 per cent after IHT of 40 per cent are no joke and were thought to have killed the market as no-one wants to pay 82 per cent tax.

We are however finding cases where, despite the potential tax charges on death, utilising an ASP contract is proving to be suitable.

An ASP can in many cases produce an income similar to the purchase of an annuity and one therefore asks, why take the risk? However, we are finding that for members retiring with much younger spouses, the ASP income is higher than that available from an annuity, and can continue to provide an income to the spouse that does not reduce in the way most annuity death benefits would.

While it won't be suitable for those with smaller pension funds, and those who require a low-risk option, it is providing a good deal of flexibility for some who reach age 75, and just don't seem to have any other viable option.

I am sure there are some advisers not dealing with ASP as an option simply because they don't understand it, but if you are approaching 75, have delayed the purchase of an annuity and don't know what to do, make sure you take advice from an adviser who will consider all your options.

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Outsourcing could be the answer to your legal issues

IT CAN pay big dividends for a company to bring in a specialist outside legal team, even for a short period to oversee a project.

That's the claim of Vertex Law based at Kings Hill near Maidstone

It said it is also a cost-effective way of dealing with maternity leave or career breaks.

The company said a temporary secondment can be a genuinely affordable solution for companies.

Vertex claims that by offering a more flexible bespoke approach to legal services, companies can pick and choose what's right for them – allowing for cover in the event of temporary vacancies or for work on specific projects, if the business is not yet of a size or nature to require an in-house team.

Vertex member Kate Mayor has recently been involved in several out-sourced projects, including covering maternity leave for Ashford-based food wholesaler Brake Bros Limited and at the National Endowment for Science Technology and the Arts.

She said: "With recently introduced improved maternity and paternity rights, as well as people opting for extended breaks from their careers, the need to fill this type of gap is going to be more common in the future and out-sourcing could be the perfect solution.

"The first thing is that by working on a secondment you really get to know the client well and get to see how their business operates at close quarters.

"It also means you can focus 100 per cent on your work without the distraction of day-to-day stresses and strains.

"The client also gets a number of lawyers with specialist expertise. They get the benefit of a back-up team of – in our case – commercial, intellectual property and technology lawyers, dispute resolution and property and mergers and acquisition lawyers."

Detailed approach

Nick Willis, Brakes Bros Group account director said: "Since outsourcing our legal work, I have been impressed by Vertex Laws speed of response and by their very detailed approach."

Even smaller companies that need legal help, but do not have the finance to pay for a full-time team, can also benefit.

Ms Mayor said: "They may not be able to justify a full-time lawyer but still require legal advice on a regular basis.

"Out-sourcing work gives expert advice and support without the financial commitment of employing someone full-time."

SMALL companies have been counting the cost of the two 48-hour postal strikes – with business chiefs warning they're losing out to the tune of millions.

The industrial action saw mail grind to a halt after the first strike took place last Thursday and Friday, and was then swiftly followed by another on Monday and Tuesday.

Chris Capron, chairman of the Kent Invicta Chamber of Commerce, said: "It hits small businesses the hardest because of the cash-flow problems that it creates.

"We estimate it costs small business £2.5 million for every two-day strike."

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Kitesurfer gets 4th title

KITESURFING: Teenage kitesurfer Aaron Hadlow secured his fourth world title in a row this week, after winning the final round of the PKRA World Kitesurfing championship in Chile.

The Maidstone kitesurfer had another faultless season recording five wins, two second places and one sixth place, as he travelled the world visiting locations such as Brazil, Austria and Venezuela.

Hadlow progressed to the final heat with ease, landing a succession of tricks but the final proved a harder task and with his last trick he managed to win the event.

Hadlow said: "I couldn't believe I had done it. I put so much effort into it and it paid off. These last few days have ended the season perfectly. I have really enjoyed the event in Chile and winning the championship."

Race for Reid

FOOTBALL: News that Charlton Athletic skipper Andy Reid faced a race against time to be fit for the Republic of Ireland's European Championship qualifier against Germany yesterday, won't have pleased his club manager Alan Pardew.

Midfielder Reid, who was suffering from a swollen ankle, has been the inspiration behind Charlton's rise to second in the table, scoring four times and creating countless more goals.

Pardew said: "Andy Reid will turn up at the training ground next Thursday after a tough two weeks on international duty, and he then has to play at Wolves on Saturday.

"It's not easy for him, and I think the workload of top internationals is underrated, especially in this division with eight more league games."

Pardew added: "I've always thought international sides could give us more information about our players' efforts while they are away.

"We ask the player, he tells us what went on and that's more or less it."

Disappointed

Superbike rider Leon Camier is upset his injury rules him out of action at Brands Hatch

UPS AND DOWNS: Leon Camier

By TOM HOWARD

RISING British Superbike rider Leon Camier is on the road to recovery after a horrific crash in August, but is bitterly disappointed not to be racing in front of his fans in the final round at Brands Hatch today.

Camier, from Ashford, is still eighth in the championship, despite not competing in the last two races due to a broken left femur and fractured pelvis, suffered in the crash at the British Superbikes Championship at Cadwell Park.

He said: "The recovery process is going really well. I am starting to feel the muscles coming back and the bone seems to be healing in good time. I am taking as many vitamins as possible and doing a fair bit of training to try and get back to fitness even quicker. I hope to be fully fit by December in time for testing next February."

His debut season in the championship has been full of ups and downs, but with only one finish outside the top 10 and two podiums in his first meeting, he has turned heads and showed real promise for the future.

He added: "This year has had good points and bad points, but for my debut season it has been good I have only finished outside of the top 10 once.

"The season started brilliantly with the two podiums at Brands, but we had problems with the bike set up for the wet races that followed, which halted our progress.

"We picked it up again by the time we reached Croft and were going a lot quicker, but obviously my accident in the following race put pay to that. It was so frustrating and a shame I couldn't finish the year."

Camier has fond memories of the Kent circuit, after his two podiums earlier this year and he will be attending the event to support one of the main Championship sponsors, the THINK! road safety campaign.

Despite his disappointment of not featuring in front of his home crowd, he believes that Sheppey rider Shane Byrne and Maidstone's Scott Smart will give the Kent fans something to cheer about this weekend.

Recovering

He said: "I am very disappointed that I cannot race today at Brands Hatch, as I thought with my previous success here I would stand a chance of a good result.

"I will be cheering on Shane Byrne and Scott Smart this weekend and I think Shane has a very good chance for a win. Scott is also going faster on the Kawasaki, so he might be in with a shout.

After fully recovering from his injuries, he hopes to compete in the championship next season, but as for which team he will be racing for, it is still unknown.

He added: "I should be competing in the British Superbike Championship next season, and I hope I can attract a good team. My initial goal is to compete and win the World Superbike Championship in the future. Moto GP is in the distance and it is everyone's goal to compete at the top, but there is a lot of politics that goes on to race in that discipline so I am not sure whether I will be interested in that."

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Stars head to India

KENT stars Joe Denly and James Tredwell have been named in this winter's England Performance Programme in India.

The ECB programme, which was formerly known as the National Academy Programme, begins on October 29 with two-and-a-half weeks at the cricket performance centre in Loughborough.

This will be followed by a four week high performance camp at Mohali and Chennai in India between November and December.

The academy is seen as the stepping stone to the test squad and the camps are used throughout the winter so players are fit and have some form in the event of being called up for England's tour of Sri Lanka.

ECB: Denly and Tredwell

The call up for Denly and Tredwell is recognition of the good season the pair have had for the county.

The Kent duo could be in line for England Lion's One Day International tour in February next year which would give them a platform to showcase their skills for possible inclusion in the test squad.

Saved: pitch performance rescues Town

HYTHE Town have been saved from the brink of financial difficulty after a cup run that has seen the side play its biggest match for 17 years and net the club £7,500 in the process.

The Kent League side were plunged into possible financial problems when a sponsorship deal fell through at the start of the season, but by progressing to the third qualifying round of the FA Cup, the club more than recouped that money and secured its future for the next two years.

Hythe played against Ware from Hertfordshire who play in the Ryman League Division One North on Saturday, which marked the club's biggest game for some time.

Martin Giles, club secretary said: "The game against Ware is the biggest game we have been involved in since 1990, when we got to the fourth qualifying round of the cup against Hayes.

"We have had an excellent cup run and it means a great deal to a small club like ourselves. We started the season in a bad way as our sponsors left us as they were connected with the departing director. This meant with the players we have, we would not be able to afford their wages for the whole season."

"From the FA Cup this year, we have won £7,500 and the money at this level is a god send. It is more than enough to replace the sponsorship we lost. In fact, the money will probably set us up for the next two seasons of football here."

The town has been hit by cup fever, as the club's run in the competition has sparked more interest and as a result more fans have been going along to the Reachfields, increasing the attendance in Kent League fixtures in the process.

A near record-breaking gate of more than 1,000 spectators went to Reachfields for their shock 2-1 win over Dover in the last round which added to the club funds for a new pitch to be laid next year.

RING IN THE CHANGE: Hythe Town have been saved from financial trouble

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Lessons learned

After winning the British Formula 3 Championship last season, Sevenoaks racer Mike Conway faced different challenges finishing 14th in his debut season in GP2

IT'S been a tough end to the season and I can only sum it up as 'character-building', but I have enjoyed it too.

This final tour of Europe was my last chance to regain ground, but things don't always work out as you plan. It was an eventful – and very short – weekend in Turkey. I fell foul of missing a yellow flag and ended up with a seven-place grid penalty for the first race of the weekend.

It was all the more difficult to stomach as I was running in the top 10 in the practice session and 12th fastest in qualifying would have given me a chance to shoot for points, but when they added on my seven places, it was 19th place.

When you start that far back, it increases the risk of getting caught up in the mayhem of the start and sure enough, it happened to me.

At the start of the race, I went to the outside at the first corner, but it was a bit dirty and my car started to bounce, which made the rear end step out and put me into a spin. I was hit first by Andy Soucek and then Adrian Zaugg. This damaged the front suspension and broke the front wing and the team thought the car was too unsafe for me to continue. Game over.

It meant I started at the back for Sunday's sprint race. I picked over a couple of cars and was then sitting behind rival, Sebastien Buemi. I tried to pass around the outside, but in mid-corner I was rammed from behind, spinning me into the path of another car. A second spin resulted in front suspension damage. A low weekend for me that I needed to put quickly behind me.

We then moved on to Monza where I raced in 2005 and hoped the experience would be a big help. It certainly showed in first practice. I was able to get on the pace quickly, with seventh fastest time by the end of the 30 minutes session. I was a bit disappointed to end up 12th fastest in qualifying, but the car was just that little bit jittery at the rear, so I couldn't attack as much as I wanted to. In the end though, it didn't really matter as I had another first lap disaster in the feature race. Two cars came together and I was punted from behind towards one of those cars. In trying to avoid the car I ended up stranded on the kerb with a stalled engine. Another race out the window.

It always makes it difficult for the sprint race the next day and starting from the back isn't easy. I think I showed everyone just how much potential I've got in that race though. I started 21st and finished 10th. It was a race full of drama, with some fierce driving by both myself and others. It's a great feeling to climb through the order, but I would have preferred to be going from 10th to first.

It was then on to Spa, and finally, better results. I hadn't added any points to my tally since Silverstone and was getting quite frustrated. Two fifth place finishes in Belgium was satisfying but I was still left wondering what might have been because I started only 12th for Saturday's feature race after a collision on what would have been my quickest qualifying lap.

It ruined my session and put me in the middle of the pack for the start – which was not the place to be, as four cars out of the first eight on the grid stalled. I took evasive action and just missed two cars.

I came in on lap three and once I had some clear air I was able to put in some really quick times and jump ahead of a lot of the guys who pitted later. By the chequered flag I was fifth, and with our reverse grid format, fourth on the sprint race grid. Unfortunately, a lot of that work was undone when I had another bad start – the anti-stall kicked in twice and I fell back to 10th. I had to push on and regain ground and a fifth at the finish was another welcome reward.

The final round of the season was in Valencia where we top the billing ourselves. The feature race was one of the strangest yet for me. I was classified 16th after the feature race because of a mistake with the timing system and I was eventually re-classified as 11th. It's a rare situation though and I'll just have to put it down to more character-building experience – although I think I've had enough of those this season.

I ended my season on a better note with a ninth place finish in the final race. It was an all-or-nothing situation for me. I had nothing to lose by pushing as hard as possible and going for it.

We had hoped to get enough points for Super Nova to finish third in the championship, but that didn't happen, which was a shame for all the guys who've worked so hard this season.

Although the GP2 season has finished, I didn't have much rest and went straight on to Jerez, where there was an official GP2 test. It's a chance for drivers to look at options for next season and for new GP2 drivers to sample the car and test with teams. I drove with the ART and Arden teams and was pleased with my performance overall. Now I'll review the season and start thinking about the future.

• ***Mike Conway is one of Kent on Sunday's regular columnists.***

GETTING BACK ON TRACK: Mike Conway; and above

British Rally lead

MOTORSPORT: Rally driver Stefan Davis has regained the lead of the British Rally Championship 1600 class after picking up maximum points in the Rally of Yorkshire last weekend.

Despite losing one-and-a-half minutes on the opening stage to rival Darren Gass, the Maidstone driver fought back driving the wheels off his Ford Puma on narrow roads.

Davis and co-driver Pat Cooper wowed spectators with breathtaking driving at some points, having the car enter corners backwards.

With Gass having difficulties in stage six, Davis increased his lead in the championship.

He will be in action in the deciding round of the championship in the Wales Rally GB, which begins on November 29.

Kick out racism

FOOTBALL: The Kick Racism out of Football campaign returns to Kent next weekend with Faversham Town youth teams hosting the 'Lets Kick it Out' challenge trophy.

The trophy will be part of a football festival where 200 junior footballers will play their league games before playing in the challenge trophy which kicks off at 12pm at the Abbey School.

A football conference to discuss the work being done to kick racism out of football, is to be held at Princes Park Stadium in Dartford, from 9.45am to 2.30pm on Tuesday, October 23.

Staff in grudge race

CYCLING: Reigning Commonwealth champion Jamie Staff will be in action next weekend, when he faces arch rival Michael Blatchford in the Revolution event.

The two riders clashed at the LA world cup in 2006 where Staff, from Ashford, was disqualified following an altercation where he threw his helmet at the American.

The riders haven't seen each other since and with plenty of tension between the two, the scene is set for an epic GB verses USA head-to-head.

Staff said: "The track is a dangerous place, and I don't take kindly to people risking my health. I'm over it now and hopefully at Revolution I'll win – if I have an ounce of speed I should beat him."

China don't need ZiZi, says Pardew

FOOTBALL: Charlton have denied midfielder Zheng Zhi permission to join up with the China squad because their games fall outside the international window.

The games, both against Myanmar on October 21 and 28, fall outside the allowed window and Addicks boss Alan Pardew said he was within his rights to keep hold of the midfielder.

If he were to travel, he would miss Charlton's games against Wolves, Plymouth and QPR.

Pardew told the club's website: "I apologise to the Chinese federation that they will be without ZiZi for these qualifiers, but I have made the decision to keep him here.

"I know ZiZi is an important player for his country but he's also important for us, and I am sure China will be able to get the results they need without him."

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TAYLOR MADE FOR US, SAYS SOUTHALL

Gills midfielder picks ex boss for return

By **GLENN PEARSON**

GILLINGHAM midfielder Nicky Southall has revealed he would like to see former manager Peter Taylor named as the new boss at the Priestfield stadium.

Taylor is currently out of work after being sacked earlier this week as manager of Crystal Palace.

The former England under-21 manager is a favourite among Gills supporters after steering them to promotion from Division Two during the 1999-2000 season.

The ex-Dover Athletic and Leicester manager clearly had an effect on the players at the time and Southall, who was part of that promoting-winning side, has admitted who tops his wish list.

He said: "Personally, if it was up to me, Peter Taylor would be a good choice, obviously he has had a lot of success and he has worked with me and Iffy in the promotion side and Mark Patterson behind the scenes. On a personal note, I wouldn't mind Peter Taylor, but whoever comes in, we have to give everything for that manager and whoever the chairman chooses it to be."

The fact Taylor has now become available, could leave the path open for a return to Priestfield – if he was not already on chairman Paul Scally's list of top-three candidates.

Rumoured

Despite it being 35 days since Ronnie Jepson's departure, and with a host of names rumoured to be after the job, it is expected that Scally will finally end the long wait and name his man this week.

Whatever happens, Southall, in his third stint at the club, hopes for a bit of continuity at the Priestfield Stadium.

He said: "It has not been easy. The whole club is in stages where nobody knows where they are at and the players are in the same boat as Iffy, but we have just got to get on with it because the games are coming up thick and fast and we have just got to focus on the games, whatever goes on behind the scenes will take care of itself.

"To be honest we have had a few [managers] at Gillingham, there has been a few managers come and go over the past few years. Everything needs to be sorted out and the chairman is dealing with it.

"We can't get involved with that, we've just got to train and focus on the game and whatever happens will happen, whether it is Iffy or Peter Taylor."

It has been a difficult week for all connected with the club, none more so than caretaker boss Iffy Onoura

He had to watch as his side lost 5-0 against former employer Swindon Town, then see fellow caretaker manager Mick Docherty leave on Monday.

He said: "I don't mind saying I found it quite emotional. You do not see friends and colleagues walk out the door lightly.

"Doc said his goodbyes in the morning and we trained OK afterwards and we just got on with it.

"In terms of difficult times and difficult days, that was certainly one of them and it has been a difficult period for everyone."

One player at the club who is full of confidence is on-loan striker Chris Dickson.

Fresh from hitting a hat-trick in his first start for the Gills in the 4-3 victory over Luton Town in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy, Dickson admitted he was chomping at the bit to get a chance at Priestfield.

He said: "Charlton was a big step up for me and Gillingham is still a step up from where I was this time last year.

"I've been itching to get out there and it was great to break my duck, and to get the match ball was the icing on the cake."

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SUCCESS: Peter Taylor, who guided the Gills to promotion in 2000, would be welcomed back to Priestfield with open arms, says Nicky Southall (right)

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